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CHAPTER III.

AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY.

"How d'ye, Mawse Nicholas! huh you do?"

At break of day old Gilbert set forth on his journey in the jolting little cart, drawn by a small black ox that went a plodding gait.

The old man, with a view to doing Mawse Nicholas honor, was attired in his Sunday best—a blue broadcloth coat with brass buttons, and a black satin vest, once the property of Col. Thorne's father, a pair of nankeen pantaloons, and a white hat, stiff and tall, discarded by the colonel. He sat upon a plank across the front of the cart, with his feet dangling outside. The plank was cushioned by a blanket in which was folded his every day suit of homespun. A box that held a contribution to Nicholas' larder, from Miss Elvira, was safely bestowed in one corner, at the bottom of the cart, where a wallet containing his noon refreshment lay beside a dingy umbrella, the cherished possession of twenty years.

Late in the afternoon, he came to an expanse of pine barren; vast, solemn, sombre, it stretched in every direction, the rays of the sinking sun shining faintly athwart the multitudinous, tall dark trees, whose boughs, swaying in the upper air, maintained a continuous susurrus that emphasized the silence. Himself and his ox were the only living creatures visible in this solitude, save an occasional bird that darted above his head, as if in haste to escape to a more genial wood; and old Gilbert, to keep himself in heart, began to sing his hymns. Lifting up his voice, he made the solitude resound to a weird strain, in harmony with the sighing of the pines:

Oh, livin' humble, humble, humble,
Oh, livin' humble, de bell done toll

Oh, livin' humble, humble, humble,
Oh, livin' humble, yo' time gwan come!

The sun was down, and the moon not yet risen, when he came out on the other side of the barren, where he ceased his singing, being now near his journey's end; for at the foot of the slope was the large red gate that gave entrance to Sunrise plantation.

Old Gilbert dismounted, with some rheumatic grunts, to open this gate. A whippoorwill was calling in the grove through which he had to drive to the house; and as he climbed back upon the cart, a screech owl uttered its uncanny cry.

"Drat dat critter!" the old negro muttered, in fear and anger, as he stooped with haste to pull off his left shoe. "Hit's sich a bad sign ter hear a screech owl; but de do say, ef you put off yo' left shoe, yo' put off de bad luck. Lawd, sen' no bad luck ain' gwan fall ter Mawse Nick, 'long o' dat 'sturbance what dat Jesse Furnival named ter me. Lemme git outen dishyer grove quick ez ole Brandy kin tote me."

But old Gilbert had to endure the serenade of the screech owl yet some minutes longer, before he came to the second gate in front of the house of hewed logs, which was neither a cramped nor a comfortless dwelling, though it moved the scorn of the old negro fresh from the grandeur of Thorne Hill. "Sich a place fur Mawse Nick!" he ejaculated contemptuously, as he halted his ox.

A vociferous chorus from the dogs greeted his arrival, and Gilbert prudently kept his perch on the cart, shouting lustily, "Hello!"

"Hello, yourself!" answered a voice through the dusk.

"Dat's him, bless Glory!" the old man chuckled, as he clambered down from the cart, while the same voice was heard silencing the dogs.

Nicholas was standing on the piazza dimly outlined in the uncertain light of the new risen moon; a goodly young fellow, tall, broad shouldered and straight as an arrow; his great brown eyes, his curling dark hair, his straight nose and rounded cheeks, his broad forehead, and his mouth and chin with the silky, red brown beard of early manhood, old Gilbert knew by heart.

"How d'ye, Mawse Nicholas! huh you do?" he shouted, with a chuckle of exuberant delight, as he stumbled up the steps of sawn blocks.

"Why, where in thunder did you come from?" cried Nicholas. "Anything the matter at home?"

"No, Mawse Nick, doan you be uneasy. De is all peart. Hit's jes' me, come fur change."

"Aha! come a-courtin'!" Nicholas returned with a laugh. "Can't fool me; you're gotten up to kill."

"Now, Mawse Nick! Pokin' fun at dis ole nigger! I come a-puppose to see you. 'Pears lak hit's so lonesome ter de Hill, douten you; en' Missie-virey, she sont you a box o' goodies. I'll jes' step back en' fetch em outen de cyart."

But Nicholas forbade. "Here, Virgil, go bring in those things," he commanded a negro boy who was hanging about the piazza. "Hungry and tired, I reckon you are, old man?"

"No, Mawse Nick, I ain' so hongry; but ridin' is pow'ful stiffenin', en' ef you pleaze, suh, I'll jes' drap down here on de steps. Hit's a moughty good sight jes' ter look at ye, Mawse Nick."

"Well, I'm not sure but the sentiment is reciprocated in my own personality," Nicholas responded sonorously.

"Wha' dat, Mawse Nicholas?"

"What I mean to say," replied Nicholas, with due gravity, "is, that the visual perception of your material essence awakens a sensation in the cardiac region that completely eliminates any inclination to despondency."

"Mawse Nicholas," said old Gilbert, in solemn admiration, "you orter go 'bout de kentry talkin' politics, you ort! You'd git 'lected ter somethin', sho' ez shootin'. But min' now, Mawse Nick," he suddenly interrupted himself, starting up, "dat boy orter be mighty keerful how he han'les dem tings, he mout bus' de bottom outen dat box what Missie-virey put de goodies in. En' dere's my rumberilla!" he exclaimed, excitedly, as Virgil staggered through the gate. "Min' how you tote dat rumberilla, you plantation nigger! Han'tcher! You gwan brek dem ribs, en' den what? Dishyer rumberilla is older den you is, Mawse Nick," he explained with pride, as he spread it open to satisfy himself that it was unbroken. "Hit was yo' gran'paw gin' him ter me, en' I'se toted hit over you many'n de time, when you wuz a baby. We doan see no sich ev'ry day," he declared, shutting the umbrella with a snap, and turning to caution Virgil about the box.

"Missy charged me to tell you dere is a sugar heart in dat same box she sont you, Mawse Nick, dat she kissed it when she wropped hit up."

"Dear little sister!" Nicholas sighed, half to himself. "How I wish she were nearer my own age."

"Dere's Miss Flora, you know," said Gilbert, insinuatingly. "She's gwan on 19. Glory! Mawse Nick, you jes' orter see Miss Flora sense she come home outen school. De w-a-y she can clatter do pianner; tubbe sho! En' she's ez pretty ez pink."

"Red head and freckled face!" said Nicholas.

"Now, Mawse Nick! You ter be jokin' dat way, when you know Miss Flora is got hair lak de inside o' a chincapin burr, en' her face is lilies en' roses, en' her eyes de is stars."

"Go on, poeta nascitur!" Nicholas cried gayly.

"Tell you what's a fac', Mawse Nick, you orter be settin' up ter Miss Flora yet now."

"Hum!" said Nicholas. "How many times a week do you think I could ride back and forth, these thirty miles, for her sweet sake?"

Old Gilbert rubbed his forehead in deep thought before he said:

"You mought—straighten hit wid mawster, en' git ter be at home."

"No, I'll be hanged! Here was I sent, and here I mean to stay until I'm invited home again!" Nicholas declared, almost with fierceness.

"But you see, Mawse Nick," old Gilbert remonstrated, "folks ain' blin', en' dem what looks at Miss Flora onct is mighty apt ter look agin. Dere's a lot of young gemmen buzzin' roun' her same ez a Juny bug after a fig bush."

"Did my father send you down here to preach my cousin Flora to me?" Nicholas demanded, sharply.

"No, Mawse Nick. I'm gwan to tell de bottom fac'. Jes' yestiddy down by de berry patch me 'n' dat Jesse Furnival swapped some words; en' he let me know how you had some 'sturbance down here ter Eden, en' how dat low white trash Marcus White tried ter stob you. I 'lowed hit wuz all a lie. Marcus White is kin ter de Furnivals, en' what is de ter mix 'long o' you? But I was dat oneasy in my min', come dark, I went up ter de gret house."

"And told my father?" interrupted Nicholas, angrily, starting up.

"No, Mawse Nick, I ain't let on ter nobody: I jes' come now ter see fur myse'f, dat you is safe en' soun'."

Nicholas was much moved; he turned away and walked up and down the piazza several times. When at last he sat down, "Gilbert," he said, with an effort to speak lightly, "you have the soul of a gentleman."

"I'm 'bleedged ter ye, Mawse Nick," said the old man, getting on his feet to bow his acknowledgments. "Yo' gran'paw en' you paw wuz gemmen, en' I'se b'longed to 'em bof. I ain' nuver 'sociated myse'f wid po' white trash."

Nicholas looked at him with an odd smile, saying slowly, "I've turned over a new leaf. I'm not going to be a bad boy any more. You can carry that news home, if you like."

"Bless Gawd!" ejaculated old Gilbert.

"That affair between me and Marcus White happened some time ago; it's all over now, and my father need know nothing about it."

"The Lor'-a-mighty, Mawse Nick! Hit wuz de troof, den? Way off here—en' none but niggers en' de oberseer ter tek keer on you!"

"Oh, I was well attended to," Nicholas replied evasively. "I'm going to lead a steady life in future; so this affair may as well be forgotten."

"De Lawd be praised! Not but what I knowed you wuz jes' a-foolin' wid you chances ter have young follises fun, Mawse Nick."

But old Gilbert had not been three days at Sunrise plantation before he learned that it was Nicholas' invariable habit to ride away as soon as he had eaten his 6 o'clock supper, and it was always late before he returned.

"Dat boy do too much prowlin' by night," the old man grumbled. "Mawse Nick orter be home flyin' roun' Miss Flora, en' me orter be home mindin' my own consarns. But I so skeered de boy is mixed in wid a bad crowd I'm 'bleeged ter stay ontel I kin tek my observations."

And in order to "take his observations," old Gilbert had to contrive a plan.

"I dunno whey Mawse Nick kin be gwine so stiddy," he argued, "bedouten hit's dat place de calls Eden, what has tried dese some years ter be a town. Jes' a sto' en' a meetin' house, en' a han'ful o' little onpainted dwellin's, sich ez mought suit de Furnivals. I gotter git Mawse Nick gimme me a pass ter Eden. 'Pears lak I mought be outen terbacker, en' I brung fo' bits wid me in case o' need."

Old Gilbert drew from his pocket a long black plug of tobacco, which he looked at affectionately. "Hit's wuth all o' two bits," he said, and sighed; "but dis nigger is a chu'ch member in full standin', en' I ain' gwan tell no lie, lessen satan git me."

He laid aside the harness he was patching, and went out into the grove, where, after assuring himself that there was no one to see him, he shut his eyes, whirled around and threw the tobacco as far as he could send it. "Now," he said, "I'm plum out. I kin ax for pass ter go ter Eden. Hit's my bounden duty ter look atter dat boy."

The pass was readily granted, and while yet the sun was high in the sky old Gilbert set forth, attired in his glory, with the shadow of the cherished umbrella over him.

"Hit's two hours be sun, Mawse Nick," he said cheerily, as he passed the piazza; "en I kin come home by de light o' de moon. I'se treed too many 'possums ter be skeered o' de woods by moonlight."

Nicholas laughed to himself with the unspoken thought, "I verily believe all the old chap wanted was a chance to hoist that umbrella."

It was two miles to Eden, and old Gilbert, as he trudged along, had no more idea than a child how he should proceed in order to learn the secret of his young master's nightly rides, but with a firm belief in the righteousness of his undertaking, he hoped for the guidance of a special providence.

"Maybe I ain' gwan fin' out nothin', but I gwan to do my bes'," he said to himself. "Sperrited young gemmen lak my Mawse Nick is sartin sho' ter get talked about, en' I mought hear something. En' I mought git sight o' dat black hawse o' his'n."

He readily found the one store where the scant retail trade of the place was transacted and entered with his pass in his hand.

The storekeeper, a tall, lank, sallow, stoop shouldered man with long hair and a heavy beard of dingy hue, leaned over the counter, and eying old Gilbert's brass buttons with a smile, remarked:

"You must ov come from the meetropolis?"

"I'se fum Tallahassee, suh," said Gilbert, doffing his hat. "Col. Thorne's man Gilbert, come over ter de Sunrise plantation; en' here's my pass, suh."

"Anything you'll have?" said the storekeeper, glancing at the paper and handing it back.

"Two bits wuth of terbacker, ef you please, suh," old Gilbert made answer, producing an ancient leathern purse. "Yo' town's a-growin', suh?" he said, ingratiatingly.

"Slowly, slowly," was the answer. "We'll have a railroad to the moon about the year 1900."

This joke was beyond old Gilbert's comprehension; but the little crowd loafing around set up a perfunctory shout, for the storekeeper was the local wit. The talk that followed had no bearing whatever upon the affairs of Nicholas Thorne, and Gilbert went out and sat on the steps a little disheartened. He had fancied that every one would be talking of his young master, but Thorne Hill was smaller than old Gilbert dreamed, and even this insignificant world of Eden turned upon a pivot of its own.

As the dusk deepened, and lights began to show in the windows of the scattering houses, Gilbert rose and strayed along the lonely and deserted street; for night came early to these primitive folk, who were now at their evening meal.

"Call dishyer Eden?" he muttered, in deepest scorn. "Better name hit Chaneyberry. Never seed sich a many Chaneyberry trees in all my time. En' de ain' good ter eat, nuther. Ef hit wuz Tallahassee now, many's de kitchen whey I mought git invited."

He wandered on aimlessly to the end of the straggling street, where a house, guiltless of paint, like all the others, loomed up in the dusk, isolated, upon the edge of an old field.

A prey to homesickness—a suffering unknown in his experience hitherto—old Gilbert sat him down on the stump of a noble oak that had been felled to make room for the overrated China tree.

"Wish I wuz back ter Thorne Hill," he sighed. "Sich a supper ez I could eat! What straits you is brung dis po' ole no 'count nigger ter 'sperience, Mawse Nick! I gwan tell you 'bout dis when you en' Miss Flora gits married."

But the clatter of a horse's hoofs presently created a diversion in his thoughts and made him forget the pangs of hunger.

It was Nicholas, who rode up to the gate in front of the lone house, dismounted and hitched his horse.

CHAPTER IV.

IN DUTY BOUND.

"Hit's a gal!" old Gilbert was almost betrayed into ejaculating aloud.

When the young man had gone in, the self appointed detective arose and crept near the rail fence that surrounded the weed grown yard; but the windows of this house were hung with curtains.

"Drat 'em!" he grumbled. "Ev'y yuther house has riled me wid de sight o' vittles, en' dis one hides me fum seein' atter Mawse Nick. 'Spect hit's dat Marcus White crowd, playin' cyards, en' bettin' high. Doan b'lieve he's gone ter Texis. En' Mawse Nick—he means right, but de temptation is too strong. I gwan pintly tell mawster ter tek de boy outen dishyer place."

Not finding another stump convenient, Gilbert crouched down at the foot of a China tree, and resting his back against the trunk, waited and watched, how long he did not know. But at last his vigil was rewarded: the door opened, and Nicholas stood forth in the moonlight. He was talking to some one within, but only his voice, not his words, could be heard.

Old Gilbert's devotion to the "fambly" made eavesdropping a duty. Creeping on his knees in the shadow of the fence, as near the gate as he dared, he crouched in one of the angles formed by the rails, and bent his best ear, aided by his curved hand, to catch what Nicholas was saying. And this was what he heard:

"It is too glorious a night to lose; let us have one little stroll in the moonlight."

"Hit's a gal!" old Gilbert was almost betrayed into ejaculating aloud. "En' he orter be sayin' dat same ter Miss Flora!"

It was a girl. She came out into the moonlight that flooded the porch, a tall, slender, dark haired girl, with a saintly face and a voice like a flute. She said something the old negro could not hear, but he heard his young master's reply:

"Of course the colonel will make a row—at first. You see, Dosia, I hide nothing from you. But when they know all you've been to me—how you have redeemed me from my wild life, oh, dear saint"——

What more he said old Gilbert did not know; he had heard enough. He dropped flat on his face in a great fright. When he rose up Nicholas and the girl had passed down the street, arm in arm. The old spy could see them as they went.

"Gret King!" he gasped. "Is I come all dis hyer way ter see mawster's son—mawster's onliest son gallivantin wid one o' dem Furnivals? Sholy, sholy, Mawse Nick ain' gwan git tangled up wid dis po' white trash, I pray! Lawd! what I gawn do? I ain' gwan say nothin' ter Mawse Nick, ter go mek him rampin' mad; I'd a sight yuther mawster'd git mad with me den rile Mawse Nick. Hit's mawster ter blame, keepin de boy in dishyer lonesome place. Wish I wuz home now. Dere's all my money—en' dat ole sow, drat her! En' my Dominicker hen 'most ready to come offen her nes'—whey's my rumberilla? Lemme study whey is I leffum? I so sot on Mawse Nick I disremember whey I leffum."

Sore disturbed, the old negro hastened back to the stump where he had sat down; the umbrella was not there. He retraced his steps to the store, but the cherished badge of respectability was not to be found for any search.

"Well, well," he sighed, "ill luck doan nuver come single handed. Maybe hit's a sign dat ole Furnival sow is rooted up my money. Dey is might'ly in de way, dem Furnivals, 'en de bes' what I kin do beginst 'em is ter wrastle in prah."

Thus communing with himself and carrying a dejected head, old Gilbert came, unawares, upon one of the citizens of Eden, who was acting as a patrol.

"Halt!" said the man of brief authority.

"Yes, mawster!" said old Gilbert, stopping short and taking off his hat with one hand, while with the other he fumbled in his pocket for his pass. "I'se Kernel Thorne's Gilbert, suh, fum over ter Leon, come ter de Sunrise plantation. Mawse Nick wrotened me permission ter come up ter do sto' en buy terbacker."

The man held the pass up to the moonlight, and while he read old Gilbert scanned his face studiously.

"Ain't you Mr. Job Furnival, suh?" he asked, with far more deference than he considered the Furnivals entitled to; but Mr. Job Furnival's daughter was honored by Mawse Nicholas' attentions, and that made a difference: it was the part of wisdom, apparently, to keep on the good side of Mr. Job Furnival, and get all the information possible. "I 'members de favor of yo' pusson 'bout Tallahassee streets."

"Ya-as, that's my name," said Mr. Job Furnival, with a hesitating drawl.

Old Gilbert grinned affably. "Is you done quit Tallahassee, suh?"

"Well, my wife's health war broke," said Furnival, "an' I got a job down this way, an' I bought a house an' lot cheap." After a pause he continued: "It war plum lucky for Col. Thorne's son thet my wife tuk care on him when he got that stab o' Marcus White's knife. Marcus war the one ter blame, so he bein' our kin we war boun' ter look after Nick Thorne, sorter. It was a close shave 'twixt him an' Kingdom Come, an' I ain't adzackly got my furgiveness yit thet I ain't told the colonel nothin' 'bout hit. But Nick'lis, I reckin, is skeerder of the colonel than ever he war of the devil, an' he wouldn' let no letter be wrote, an' the doctor said doan fret him, an' so—an' so"——

"Yes, mawster," said old Gilbert.

"It's larnt Nick Thorne one wholesome lesson, I reckin."

"Yes, mawster," said old Gilbert again; his heart was very heavy.

"An' I reckin, maybe, he'll walk a straighter track, ef so be the colonel war minded ter settle him permanent onter the Sunrise plantation. It's a good piece o' lan'."

"I dunno; I dunno nothin'," said old Gilbert.

"Ef Nick'lis—war minded—ter marry"— Furnival resumed hesitatingly.

Old Gilbert waited respectfully for the sentence to be finished, but Job Furnival was only attempting a suggestion to the old negro's garrulity: and as Gilbert maintained silence, he walked away without further words.

"He ain't got no manners," old Gilbert muttered, as he trudged along. "Mawster would a' said good evenin', dough I is a po' ole no 'count nigger. En' s'posin' mawster do settle Mawse Nick onter Sunrise plantation, is Mr. Job Furnival gwan boss de niggers? Do mo' I argyfies, 'pears ter me lak de troubles o' dis worl' is accumerlatin'. I gwan travel 'long back ter Thorne Hill, jes' ez quick ez I kin git my pass."

He could not get his pass until Nicholas had breakfasted, and then it was so long past the dawn that old Gilbert, in order to make a sufficiently early start, was obliged to delay yet another day.

"Reckon it's time you were at home," said Nicholas. "The hounds will be into your hen nests, and the worms in your tobacco patch, and the grass in your garden."

"Yes, Mawse Nick; I been here five days a'ready," old Gilbert sighed, thinking of Dan Furnival's wandering sow, and the hollow in the wood. "En' I'se had trouble in plenty; I'se los' my rumberilla."

"Aha!" said Nicholas. "Then you may take mine."

"No, Mawse Nick, no suh!" said old Gilbert, putting up his hands beseechingly, while his face turned that ashen hue peculiar to the negro. "I ain't gwan tek yo' rumberilla, nohow."

"Dat I couldn' do," he said to himself, as he turned away. "I'se 'bleedged ter go home en' tell mawster—what I is foun' out. But I ain' gwan tote his rumberilla, en' tote tales too."

He sat him down under the work shed, chiding the lingering hours. "'Pears lak Jashuay been meddlin' wid dat sun," he grumbled.

But the sun went down at last, and when it rose again the old man was well on his way to Thorne Hill.

It was dark when he alighted at his cabin, which stood apart from the other negro quarters, and near the head of the lane that led from the back premises along the garden. The cabin, built of logs, with a chimney of clay, occupied one side of a small enclosure, surrounded by a wattled fence. Here old Gilbert had his garden, his tobacco patch and his poultry yard.

"Plum' glad I is ter git home!" he ejaculated. "Befo' I goes up ter de gret house, I gwan hunt me aigg outen my own hennesses; 'pears lak I ain' taste naire aigg ter my notion sence I been gone."

Now, while old Gilbert was absent at Sunrise plantation, several things had happened to increase the colonel's impatience at Nicholas' contentment in exile. In the first place, a sudden and violent storm had unroofed Mrs. Leonard Thorne's house, so that Miss Flora and her mamma had been forced to take refuge at Thorne Hill. This was very pleasing to the colonel: for though he did not like his brother's widow, he was very fond of his brother's young daughter.

Flora Thorne, besides being fair to see, had the serene manners that he admired; she danced with grace, she sang the simple songs he loved, she was very domestic, and not in the least "learned." It was the strongest desire of his heart that Nicholas should marry this pretty cousin, settle on the Ferndale place, three miles distant, and fulfill the dignified destiny of a gentleman planter. But since Miss Flora had taken up her abode at Thorne Hill, the colonel had made a discovery that caused him much uneasiness. That so pretty and charming a girl should have adorers was in the natural order of things, and the colonel did not object to the frequent visits of Miss Flora's admirers; but that Miss Flora should favor any one of them all more than another—Nicholas being absent—was more than Nicholas' father could endure with equanimity. Mr. Aleck Gage was the one among Miss Flora's visitors whose coming vexed the colonel, and increased his eagerness for his son's return.

But how to recall his banished son without sacrificing his own dignity—a point upon which he was superlatively sensitive—was still the problem that engaged the colonel's thoughts. He felt that Nicholas under sentence of banishment ought to plead to return home; he was sure that Sunrise plantation must have proved unendurable long ago; but Nicholas was giving proof of a more obstinate endurance than his father had supposed him capable of. "Confound him for being so much like me!" the colonel muttered, as he sat staring at the thorny popinac, where the accustomed mocking bird, rejoicing in the moonlight, poured its unstinted song. In the parlor Flora was singing to Aleck Gage something about moonlight and music, love and flowers, and the colonel raged like the heathen.

Old Gilbert's familiar greeting fell upon his ear with a soothing sound. Leaning forward in his chair, the colonel descried a dark visage just above the level of the piazza floor. "Hello! So your back at last, you old runaway!" he said jocosely. "And how is Nicholas?"

"Mawse Nicholas is peart ez a cricket, suh," Gilbert answered cheerfully, but added immediately, and with strong emphasis, "Hit's a mighty lonesome place, tubbe sho!"

"Ha! Nicholas finds it lonesome!" the colonel asked eagerly.

"He ain't camplained none," old Gilbert sighed. "En' de craps is mighty promussin'," he supplemented, adroitly, though well he knew that the crops owed none of their promise to Nicholas.

Suddenly he changed the subject. Although he still had it in mind to tell all he knew, he found it very hard to make his report; he could not come at it through the medium of the crops, and he was fain to try another course.

"Whoa' dis de tell me, mawster, down ter de quarter, 'bout de storm done unroofed Miss Pauline's house?"

"Yes," the colonel answered; "didn't you have a blow at Sunrise plantation?"

"Tubbe sho, suh, what you mought call a high win', the day atter I got dere; but de ain' no damidge done. Miss Flora en' her maw, Miss Pauline, de is all safe?"

"Oh, yes, only out of house and home; out of their own house and home, that is. They're a home here, of course, as long as they'll stay. I don't know how long it may be about rebuilding. The house is pretty badly shattered and Furnival is not to be found in Tallahassee. He has a job somewhere, it seems."

"Mawse Job Furnival you is meanin', mawster?" cried old Gilbert, excitedly. "Bless yo' soul, mawster, he is over ter Eden; seed him myse'f; had speech wid him."

"What is he doing there?"

"I ain't 'zactly made out ez he is doin' anythin' in 'tickler, suh," old Gilbert answered, uneasily. "But I'm a-thinkin' it mought be a-savin' you a sight o' trouble, mawster, if Mawse Nick wuz here ter go back en' fo'th en' look atter rebuildin' Miss Pauline's house."

"Exactly!" exclaimed the colonel, with a feeling akin to gratitude. "I'll send forthwith for Furnival, and I'll have Nicholas at home. Go round to the kitchen and tell Dicey to give you a tip top supper. Reckon you're pretty tired?"

"Middlin', mawster; thankee, suh," old Gilbert responded, with a sigh of infinite relief.

"I didn't want ter go tell on Mawse Nick," he said to himself, on the way to the kitchen: "not ef hit wuz ter be holp. En' thankful I am de Lawd is pinted de way der git him fotch home 'dout me go tellin', praise be ter glory!"

The colonel called Tom Quash, and gave him orders to take the double buggy and two horses, and start for Sunrise plantation early the next morning, carrying a letter to Nicholas, and another to Job Furnival.

The two days that intervened before this messenger's return were hard to be endured in patience: it was more than could be borne that Tom Quash returned alone.

"Miz Furnival, suh, is a-lyin' at de pint o' death," Tom explained. "En' dat ocount Mr. Furnival he couldn't come jes' yit."

"And Nicholas?" asked the colonel, impatiently.

"Mawse Nicholas is wrotened a note," said Tom Quash, fumbling in the crown of his hat. "He sont his ree-spec's, en' he can't come at sich short notice; is got some matters ter sorter straighten, but'll be along after a day or so."

The colonel snatched his son's note and read it eagerly. It was expressed in terms calculated to mollify an angry parent, but there was Alex. Gage in the parlor turning over the music while Flora sang, and the colonel found it hard to be patient.

Tom Quash did not tell how Nicholas stamped and swore when he read his father's letter and declared that Sunrise plantation was good enough for him; Tom Quash kept all this to himself, and pondered it in his obtuse brain.

When Miss Elvira learned that Nicholas was coming home she locked herself within her room, took from a secret drawer the note she had received from Roxanna White and read it for the last time. Then she burned it, and having accomplished some extra pages of "Bishop Ken," went down to tea, looking at least five years younger.

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The figures shown in the careful [illegible] tings and weighings of corn at [illegible] stages of ripeness, says the [illegible] seem to point to a real principle in the growth of the crop which the farmer cannot afford to ignore. It is [illegible] clear that we must raise corn for [illegible] with no thought of fodder; and [illegible] corn which has no higher purpose than fodder. We must, in short, have two corn fields on every farm, receiving [illegible] cally different treatment to correspond with the different purposes for which they are cultivated.

In considering the above it must be remembered that corn fodder in Kansas has a smaller proportion of leaves and blades than is found on the varieties grown in the New England and middle states, where picking the ears from the standing stalks and leaving the latter unharvested would be thought a wasteful process.

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We are authorized to announce R. W. [illegible] as a candidate for Congress, subject to the decision of the Congressional Convention of this district.

We are authorized to announce Hon. [illegible] as a candidate for Congress in the [illegible] Congressional district, subject to the decision of the Republican Convention [illegible]

HARRITY, the Democratic boss of Philadelphia, has declared for Pattison for Governor which pretty certainly cooks the Wallace goose.

WE will allow that Pattison declines the Democratic nomination for fear that as Delamater is nominated by the "Republicans." Will the [illegible] inform the public on this score?

The fastest train in the world is probably the "Flying Scotsman" on the Great Northern railway, in England, which goes the 105 1/4 miles between London and Grantham in 117 minutes.

JOHN A. RICE, an old and respected citizen of Harrisburg, formerly proprietor of the Wilcox House at Wilcox, Elk county, died at his home in Harrisburg on Sunday morning last aged 61 years. Mr. Rice was known and respected by a large number of the citizens of this county.

DELAMATER is trying to secure Elk county for Delamater by promising [illegible] the speakership of the next House. The same game is being played with Hall's man in [illegible] county and [illegible], but we are inclined to think that the latter is too shrewd to be caught by such bait.

We believe Senator Quay is honest in his assertion that he is not interfering in the gubernatorial contest, and from the tone of a letter received from a gentleman in this county very recently, there is no doubt but that he is annoyed at the persistence with which [illegible] and those working in Delamater's interest claim that he is anxious for the latter's nomination. Quay has known the real sentiment of the people and does not propose to combat it.

CONGRESSMAN LORING is said to be having an uphill fight for delegates opposed to Delamater in McKean county. Counter charges are made against Emery of being paid that he and the American Protective Association [illegible] of his Philadelphia oil company to the Standard.

The foregoing which we clip from the Philadelphia *Inquirer* of Monday last, is a statement which has been industriously circulated all over Western Pennsylvania for a month past. We have evidence of the most positive character that there is not a word of truth in it.

HON. JAMES B. BECK, United States Senator from Kentucky, died very suddenly of heart disease in the B. & P. R. R. station at Washington, on Saturday last. He had just returned from New York, where he had been in consultation with eminent physicians in reference to his disease, and was accompanied by his daughter Mrs. Goodloe, wife of Major Goodloe, of the U. S. Marine Corps. He got off the train and walked with his daughter the entire length of the platform and into the station, when he suddenly exclaimed, "I feel dizzy," and sank to the floor, dying instantly. He was 68 years of age in February last.

IT is now generally believed that Speaker Reed's idea of an adjournment by the first of July will be favored by Republican members of both Houses. Aside from the regular appropriation bills, all of which are in an advanced state, the Tariff bill, the Silver bill, the Service pension bill and probably a Federal election bill, will be passed before adjournment. The Democratic leaders tried their best to work up a sentiment in the party against early adjournment, but owing to the fact that the most of the members of both parties are anxious to get back to their respective districts as early as possible this year, they failed.

THE President snubbed the Republican [illegible] when he vetoed a bill appropriating $100,000 for [illegible] building [illegible] which he did not think the [illegible] The concluding paragraph of his veto message was as follows: "The erection of public buildings is largely a matter of local necessity and convenience while the [illegible] relief and [illegible] of the soldiers and sailors [illegible] war for the preservation of the Union, [illegible] for coast defenses, [illegible] of our commerce [illegible] American [illegible] are of [illegible] and involve considerations, not of convenience, but of [illegible], honor, safety and general prosperity." Congress has already [illegible], which the President's language so plainly condemns.

HON. LEWIS EMERY, JR., has held a series of meetings throughout the county during the past ten days, and the interest shown by the people in his arguments on the questions affecting the gubernatorial canvass must have great weight in the convention next Tuesday. He asks for the recommendation of this county for Congress and especially urges that Hon C W Stone be given the delegates for Governor. He spoke at the school house in East Smethport on Wednesday evening and at Clermont on Thursday evening to excellent audiences.

THE young man who controls the Ceres *Mail* stated in Eldred a few weeks ago that he was paid by the column for publishing articles favorable to Delamater's candidacy. And this reminds us of a letter we received some three weeks since from a prominent citizen of Ceres township, in which that gentleman stated that the proprietor of the *Mail* was a resident of the State of New York and voted there, consequently he felt at liberty to sell his columns to the man who would pay the most money for them, as he was not interested in Pennsylvania politics. It is painful to witness such utter disregard for honor and integrity in one who is just starting out in journalistic life, for if persisted in it will inevitably result in a few brief years in establishing a reputation on a par with that of a common thief.

WHETHER the money which is being scattered through this State as plentifully as though it grew upon every shrub, for the benefit of Mr Delamater's candidacy, comes from the Standard's coffers, or the $100,000 of State funds deposited in the Delamater bank at Meadville, or from money filched from the Republicans of the State by the State Committee during the last campaign the Andrews gang only knows but that it is being scattered everyone is aware who is willing to take some of it. Never before in the history of this great Commonwealth was such political debauchery practiced as is seen on every hand every hour of the day during the present canvass. It is to be hoped that the public disapproval of this infamous practice will be made so manifest at the close of the canvass that it will never be attempted again.

FOR the information of certain gentlemen who are talking about the editor of this paper being a bolter or preparing to bolt the ticket this fall, we would state, that we voted for Jno C Fremont for President while they were in their swaddling clothes. We have voted for every Republican candidate for President, for every Republican candidate for State or county office since the organization of the party, and traveled 2000 miles to vote for Beaver in 1882 when 50,000 Pennsylvania Republicans bolted their ticket. We fought for Republican principles in this county for fifteen years before the men who are doubting our fidelity to the party had trodden its soil. The MINER will, as has been its custom through life, support the Republican ticket in every particular this fall but until that ticket is nominated it will advocate what it believes is for the best interests of the Republican party.

IT is estimated that 2,000,000 tons of steel rails will be used by the American railroads this year. The cost will be between $60,000,000 and $72,000,000. Most of the new rails will go into betterments and only a small part will be used in entirely new roads. The experience of some roads in handling the enormous volume of freight which passed over them recently brought out very clearly the desirability of the change contemplated.

JUSTICE TO SOUTHERN VOTERS.

From the [illegible] Commercial Gazette and Bulletin.

Speaker Reed's Pittsburg address to the Americus club is receiving more than common attention, and this was to be expected from the fact that Speaker Reed is to-day one of the most prominent men in the country and his words express a meaning of almost equal significance to a presidential message. Yet they are nothing more than the opinion of the individual.

Mr Reed advocates Federal interference in elections by placing Federal elections in the hands of Federal election officers. He takes this position on the high ground that Southern State laws are a failure in assuring and securing justice to all citizens, and therein lies the consideration the thoughtful and conservative classes must give the proposed departure Congress has in view.

The cry of Southern outrages and a solid South is not alone an old and familiar but a very true one. Every advantage has been taken and every form of fraud practiced to maintain Democratic ascendency in the South. The colored voter in commonwealths like Georgia and Mississippi, is intimidated to such an extent that he is disfranchised, and in certain sections and districts he is persecuted and ill used. Scores of counties in Texas and Mississippi are credited with either a paltry dozen or two of votes or none at all. It is not the purpose to enter into a recitation of evils of this nature just here, but Mr Reed strikes a popular chord when he declares that where State laws refuse justice and protection to voters the Federal government must perforce interfere.

The Republican party has an organization in the South and has had since the days of reconstruction. This means that it is entitled to the Republican vote of the South under the constitution, no matter what that vote may be. It is not a question of ignorance or intelligence so much as it is a question of right and justice, and while Mr Reed speaks but for himself it is Republican party policy to restore the rights of franchise now covertly and openly denied the colored voter. Democratic ignorance in New York and other large cities is just as great as any in the South and if the Democrats can poll their ignorance so should the Republicans.

Speaker Reed says wisely and truly "It seems to me that the only wise course is to take into Federal hands the Federal elections. Let us cut loose from the State elections, do our own registration, our own counting and our own certification. Then the nation will be satisfied. Freed from all right of interference, except moral and advisory from the North within their own borders and within the limits of their own State rights, they will have what they have longed for, the power to work out their own peculiar problem themselves and I venture the prophecy, as I sincerely entertain the hope, that the relief from outside pressure will break down the race issue, and as the Southern people divide, not on the color issue, but on the questions which make up some sound politics and good government, then as the Constitution of the United States and the principles of our American system always intended, the voter, whether white or black, will contribute his share to the government of all, and the hopes which were at the foundation of all our great sacrifices, will be finally and completely fulfilled."

FOR TAX REFORM.

Address of the Memorial Committee of the Association of County Commissioners to the Tax Commission of Pennsylvania—Adopted April 16, 1890.

To the Hon. Thomas McCamant, Chairman, and Gentlemen of the State Tax Commission:

It is easier by far to point out defects in existing tax laws than to formulate a system free from defects.

No system has ever given universal satisfaction, it is hardly to be expected that any system ever will. So long as selfishness is a trait of human nature the distribution of public burdens will be attended with friction and contention. We have studied theories but little. What knowledge we have of the subject has been acquired by practical experience in the levy and collection of taxes. Laws framed for one generation are not always suited to the conditions of all succeeding generations, and when by reason of changed conditions a superannuated statute becomes oppressive, and even destructive to some of our most important industries, then the question of revision becomes far more than the dream of the theorist.

When our laws governing local taxation were enacted the value of real estate was far in the value of personal property. But two generations of business men have passed away since they were enacted, and during that time economic conditions have undergone greater changes than during any five or perhaps ten generations preceding.

The value of personal property now aggregates the value of real estate, and is still rapidly increasing, while the value of real estate, although increasing in the large cities, is depreciating on the whole. The aggregate value of personal and corporate property is an index of the cost of local government, and accordingly the expenses of local government have increased enormously during this period. The principal part of this constantly increasing burden is still borne by real estate, which is constantly diminishing in value and in ability to pay.

Real estate in the country is now feeling the crushing effect of this condition of things. The reason why real estate in cities has not felt it to so great an extent is because, 1st, Population is tending toward the cities and thereby increasing land values therein, and, 2nd, City real estate owners can shift the greater part of the burden upon their tenants, the wage workers and salaried men—the men who are doing the physical and mental labor necessary to our advancement.

This inequality is producing discontent far exceeding what is ordinarily incident to the levy and collection of taxes. We have no desire to present a detailed plan for a remedy, believing that to be the province of your commission and the legislature. We are merely stating facts, as they have come to our notice in the discharge of our official duties. We respectfully beg leave, however, to make a few general suggestions.

The assertion that it is impossible to secure a full and fair return of personal property for purposes of taxation is not strictly true.

We grant that it is difficult to tax tangible, personal property equally and that it is equally difficult to equalize the assessed value of real estate. Both these duties are difficult and delicate in the extreme. Numerous schemes have been proposed to obviate these difficulties. In our opinion the most efficient plan would be to subject assessments to the largest possible measure of public scrutiny, to give every possible facility for the examination and comparison of assessed values.

In regard to the taxation of moneys and credits, the criticisms of those who are opposed to the taxation of any kind of personal property are more correct than when applied to the taxation of tangible personal property. It ought not to be beyond the power of invention to contrive a more thorough and effective method for the taxation of this kind of property.

The plea that personal property ought to be exempted from its fair share of the public burdens, merely because it has heretofore been more or less successful in escaping those burdens, is a bad plea. We can see no method of preventing taxation from becoming oppressive on certain kinds of property and on certain industries, unless a law taxing all kinds of property equally could be framed.

We would also suggest that if any change should be made in the laws relating to the manner of assessing and collecting taxes, more of such duties should be assigned to the local authorities. We can make this recommendation disinterestedly because our term of office will soon expire.

Taxes payable to the State are apt to be less uniformly and thoroughly assessed and more grudgingly paid than are taxes to a local treasury. There should be no exemption from taxation of any property, other than public property used for public purposes, and all property should be subject to local taxation. There is an apparent need of greater intelligence in the assessment or valuation department, also to the present unfair and unequal system of taxing occupations.

The collection and disbursement of public funds should be left as nearly under the immediate scrutiny of the taxpayer as is possible.

The greater the separation of the taxpayer from the treasury into which his contributions must be paid the less interest is felt in the transaction by all concerned.

J. L. SCHREINER,
Chairman
J. M. MARSHALL,
Secretary

SPEAKER REED AND LITTLE ROCK.

From The New York Tribune.

Republicans who question the expediency of the adoption of a Federal election law on the lines indicated by Speaker Reed will do well to follow closely the disclosures made in the *Tribune's* special dispatches from Little Rock. The investigation of the circumstances under which J. M. Clayton was cheated out of his seat in Congress and foully murdered while he was collecting testimony in relation to flagrant frauds is an object-lesson on this whole question of Federal elections under State and local supervision. The precious pair of the election cheats who were responsible for the theft of the ballot boxes at Plummerville, and who are suspected of having instigated the murder of the Republican candidate, were examined by the committee. Pate was a disreputable saloonkeeper without official responsibilities, but Bently was a Deputy Sheriff, whose duty it was to prevent election outrages and breaches of the peace. Seven witnesses have identified Bently as the leader of the mob which sent a deputation of four masked men to intimidate a negro election judge and to seize ballot boxes at the point of the pistol. It was Bently also who conducted a farcical investigation of the circumstances under which Clayton was murdered and summoned a Democratic coroner's jury to hold an inconclusive inquest. Pate and Bently between them secured the election of Breckenridge, and they were the direct beneficiaries of Clayton's death, since the murder occurred when the gang of ballot box thieves had been informed that criminal prosecutions against them in the Federal courts would be vigorously pressed.

Plumerville, where this raid upon the ballot-boxes was made, was a Republican township which was converted by crime and outrage into a Democratic stronghold. The theory upon which Breckenridge's friends, Pate and Bentley, acted was that negro domination was intolerable. They organized the raid and threw out enough Republican votes to secure Mr. Breckenridge's election on the assumption that while negroes should be allowed to vote in Arkansas. Bently, the Deputy Sheriff, instead of protecting the blacks in their right of suffrage, led the midnight raiders in their wanton robbery of the ballot-boxes, and subsequently converted the investigation of the murder into a farce—a murder by which he himself profited. By virtue of the crimes of Pate and Bently, Mr Breckenridge was counted into his seat and armed by them with power to legislate upon all questions relating to the National welfare. By virtue of the same crimes Clayton was counted out, and when he exposed the frauds was murdered. The question recurs on Speaker Reed's motion whether Federal elections ought not to be cut loose from these issues of State government and race domination—whether the Nation in such elections should not take care of its own registration, counting and certification.

LITERARY NOTES.

HALF HOLIDAYS.

Each succeeding year sees more converts added to the ranks of believers in the Saturday half holiday, though the number of offices and stores that now keep open on that afternoon are few indeed. The weekly opportunity for recreation is of practical benefit to every man or woman who enjoys it, while trade makes up for it by the renewed strength and vigor of its workers. The Pope Mfg Co., of Boston, Mass., makers of World Typewriters, among the first to recognize this, have published a handsome colored lithograph suitable to display in door, window, office, or elevator, announcing the hour of closing for Saturday and also for the other week days. By an arrangement of stickers, any hour can be posted. These cards are sent free upon receipt of stamp. Address Typewriter Department, Pope Mfg Co., 77 Franklin St., Boston, Mass.

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Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible], February Term 1890.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas William Ferguson did on the fourth day of December 1889 prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Elmira Ferguson.

We therefore command you the said Elmira Ferguson, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the 1st Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of said William Ferguson, and to show cause, if any you have why the said William Ferguson, your husband, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.
[illegible], Libellant's Attorney.
May 7, 1890.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 257 October Term 1889.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania, to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, [illegible] did on the third day of September 1889 prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said County, praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Hattie Thomas.

We therefore command you the said Hattie Thomas, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the 1st Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of said Almer Thomas and to show cause if any you have why the said Almer Thomas, your husband should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.
[illegible], Libellant's Atty's.
May 7, 1890.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible] December Term 1889.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas Mary E. Parker by her next friend William H. Chittenden did on the twenty second day of [illegible] 1889, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said County praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, George B. Parker.

We therefore command you the said George B. Parker that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the First Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of said Mary E. Parker and to show cause if any you have why the said Mary E. Parker your wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.
Johnson & McNarney, Libellant's Att'ys.
May 7, 1890.

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF EXECUTORS and Administrators having been settled in the office of the Register the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphans' Court to be held at Smethport in and for the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania on the first Monday of June A. D. 1890.

First and final account of P. L. Hettrick, Administrator c. t. a. of the estate of W. P. Shoemaker, deceased.

First and final account of Jane Williams, executrix of the last will and testament of Amos L. Williams, deceased.

First and final account of J. T. Jones and Mary L. Blackmarr, executors of the last will and testament of W. L. Blackmarr, deceased.

First and final account of E. L. Keenan, Administrator of the estate of William H. Martin, deceased.

First and final account of Joshua Davis and [illegible], Administrators of the estate of J. D. [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of F. F. McCarthy, Administrator of the estate of W. T. McCarthy, deceased.

First and final account of L. B. Huntington, administrator of the estate of Dewitt C. Huntington, deceased.

First and final account of Anna S. Macklem, administratrix of the estate of Robert Macklem, deceased.

Second and final account of [illegible] Dudley, administrator of the estate of Calvin H. Burrows, deceased.

J. M. McELROY, Register.
H. M. CHOATE, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., May 3, 1890.

Take Notice.

In re petition of J. M. Tait to have Mortgage satisfied.	In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean Co. Pa. No. [illegible] February Term, 1890.

To all parties concerned:

Please take notice that on the [illegible] day of January, A. D. 1890, J. M. Tait presented his petition to the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., which has been entered and filed therein, at the above number and term. The said petition sets forth the following facts, viz:

That on the Fourth day of February, A. D. 18[illegible], a certain Mortgage was executed and delivered by him to D. W. C. Carroll, of Pittsburg, Pa., on a tract or piece of land situate in Lafayette township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, and being a portion of lot No. [illegible], and including three oil wells, known as wells Nos. 7, 8, and 10 to secure the payments of $2,[illegible], as in Mortgage Book vol. [illegible] page [illegible], etc., of the records of McKean county.

The petitioner further represents that he has paid all the money due and secured by said mortgage, principal and interest and that the mortgagee above named is still the legal holder thereof, who has neglected to satisfy the same.

Wherefore, you, the said party named, to-wit: D. W. C. Carroll, and any and all other parties concerned, are hereby required to be and appear at a term of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., to be held at Smethport Pa., on the 2d day of June, 1890, at [illegible] o'clock p. m. and answer the said petition.

W. B. CLARKE,
High Sheriff of McKean County Pa.
Jack & Roberts, Att'ys for Petitioner.
May 1st, 1890.

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HOTEL LICENSES.

Bradford City—First Ward.

Morris Herron, Black Bear Hotel, Nos. 8, 10 and 12 Pine street. Residence same.

[illegible] Oil City House, Nos. 105 and 108 south side Main street. Residence same.

P. H. Gallagher and William Devine, Philadelphia House, No. 30 south side of Main street. Residence same.

P. [illegible] United States Hotel, Nos. 33 and 35 Mechanic street. Residence same.

P. McNamara, Curry House, Nos. 10 and 12 Webster street. Residence same.

James Murry, Capitol, No. 40 Main Street. Residence same.

James H. Burns, Washington House, Nos. 6 and 8 Webster street. Residence same.

Levi Berwald, Sheehan House, No. 30 east side Mechanic street. Residence same.

P. C. Hurley, Bay State Hotel, No. 73 south side Main street. Residence same.

Edwin I. Durkee, Industry Hotel, No. [illegible] Davis street. Residence same.

William [illegible] McBride, Option House, No. 20 North side Main street. Residence same.

Henry [illegible] and George E. [illegible], Arlington, No. 31 north side of Main street. Residence same.

Fred Heckel, Union House, Nos. 1[illegible] and 1[illegible] south side Main street. Residence same.

J. D. Hart, Henderson House, northwest corner Webster and Corydon streets. Residence same.

James C. Fox, St. James Hotel, Mechanic street head of Main street. Residence same.

[illegible] J. Wilber, Pierce House, Nos. 107 and 109 Main street. Residence same.

Patrick Bateman, Bateman House, No. 122 Main street. Residence same.

Frank P. Holley, Riddell House, Cor. Main and Davis streets. Residence same.

T. S. Connelly, Connelly Hotel, No. 33 Mechanic street. Residence same.

J. L. Andrews, Hotel Brunswick, No. 20 Main street. Residence same.

John S. Fisher, Willard Hotel, Nos. 116 118 120 Main street. Residence same.

Bradford City—Third Ward.

E. G. [illegible], Aiken House, Nos. 10[illegible], 108 and 110 Washington street. Residence same.

J. Park Abbott, Bennett Brook House, corner Mechanic and Washington streets. Residence same.

Corydon Township.

R. R. Tome, on Willow Creek road. Residence same.

Eldred Borough.

William P. Reilly, St. Elmo Hotel, corner Main and street leading to depot. Residence same.

Eldred Township.

[illegible] Holder, Junction Hotel, at Larrabee. Residence same.

Foster Township.

James [illegible], Derrick City House, Derrick City. Residence same.

George [illegible] Davis, Stanford House, Gilmore. Residence same.

J. E. [illegible], corner Bradford and Smethport road and plank road, New City. Residence same.

[illegible] Park Hotel, Foster Brook park. Residence same.

Hamlin Township.

W. W. Brewer, Brewer House, Mt. Jewett. Residence same.

Kendall Borough.

Jonas Artley and Philip S. Artley, American House, corner Kendall and Main street. Residence same.

Keating Township.

Thomas Lent, Brunswick House, Coleville. Residence same.

Kane Borough.

John Shea, St. Elmo Hotel, corner Fraley and Haines street. Residence same.

John Fleming, Fleming Hotel, west side of Fraley street. Residence same.

Frank Betts, Centennial Hotel, east side Fraley street. Residence same.

Jack Donovan, Hotel La Mont, west side Fraley street. Residence same.

Harvey H. Carson, Kane House, west side Fraley street. Residence same.

Lafayette Township.

[illegible] Meal and H. F. Blair, Butts House, [illegible] Alton. Residence same.

H. [illegible], Lafayette Hotel, Lafayette. Residence same.

[illegible] Hurley House, [illegible]. Residence same.

Otto Township.

[illegible] Brown, [illegible] House, Duke Centre, west side Main street. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

Stephen [illegible] Hartwell, Hartwell House, south side Mill street. Residence same.

[illegible] Palmer, Port Allegany House, cor. Main and Mill streets. Residence same.

Smethport Borough.

Frank N. Taylor, Grand Central Hotel, south side of Main street corner of Fulton street. Residence same.

J. A. Verlon, Chautauqua House, north side of Main street, corner Fulton street. Residence same.

Alfred H. Peirce, Peirce House, south side of Water street. Residence same.

R. F. Wright, Wright House, cor. Main and Mechanic streets. Residence same.

Sergeant Township.

J. F. Keating, Clermont House, Clermont. Residence same.

Louis Steinhauer, Steinhauer House, Clermont. Residence same.

EATING HOUSE OR RESTAURANT LICENSES.

Eldred Borough.

L. M. Coleman, European Hotel and Restaurant, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. depot. Residence same.

Patrick Cull, depot street, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. depot. Residence same.

Eldred Township.

Ransom Larrabee, at Larrabee. Residence same.

Liberty Township.

Samuel W. Quick, Liberty Hotel, Portage Creek. Residence same.

Otto Township.

D. M. Carey, Empire House, Duke Centre, east side Main street. Residence same.

W. A. McDonald, Central Restaurant, Duke Centre, north side Main street. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

Joseph D. Swallow, Allegany Restaurant, south side Mill street. Residence same.

Andrew J. Conley, European Hotel and Restaurant, west side Pearl street. Residence same.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL LICENSES, WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER GOODS

Bradford City—First Ward.

P. Fragner, No. 103 Mechanic street. Residence No. 20 Bushnell street, Bradford City.

S. E. Collins and F. J. Collins, No. 89 Main street. Residence of S. E. Collins No. 87 Corydon street, and of F. J. Collins Room No. 20 St. James Hotel, Bradford City.

James L. Kerstetter, No. 23 Main street. Residence same.

Dear Fordonski, No. 84 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

A. M. Mayer and M. Holland, No. 114 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

William Harrager, cor. Depot street, opposite W. N. Y. & P. R. R. Residence Olean, N. Y.

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Bradford City—Fourth Ward.

[illegible] Woodbury, No. 37 Mechanic street, cor. Mechanic street and N. Y. L. E. & W. R. R. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Patrick H. David, No. 33 Mechanic street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

[illegible] and L. Doerr, west side of Railroad street. Residence Eldred borough, Pa.

All licenses must be lifted within fifteen days after the same are granted or they will be void.

J. M. McELROY, Clerk.
HUGH P. BRAWLEY, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., April 22, 1890.

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We're not going over the list of what we keep. It is too long, and we'd never do it justice, and you'd never read it because it would be too much of a Dictionary. But you would read the Dictionary or Encyclopædia,—that's a better word,—if you found one that contained the information you were seeking.

You'll be sure to want samples, and we'll send them to you for nothing—anything that can be sampled. We can't sample a Shawl, or a Coat, or a pair of Gloves, but we'll send them on approval. And we can't sample an Umbrella or Carpets.

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An Antique Finished Hardwood Set.	$17 50
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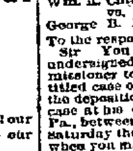

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Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED, President Judge, of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, Dec. 13th, 1889, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Quarter Sessions, at the borough of Smethport, Pa., on Monday the 12th day of May, A. D. 1890, and to continue one week, for the consideration of licenses.

Dated at Smethport, Pa., April 23, 1890, and in the 114th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF C. G. MILLIGAN, DECEASED. Letters of administration on the estate of C. G. Milligan, late of the city of Bradford, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to L. M. Sterns, residing in said city, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

L. M. STERNS, Administrator.
McSweeney & Byles, Attorneys.
April 23, 1890. 6t.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED President Judge of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphans and court of Common Pleas for the county of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, Dec., 13th, 1889 and to me directed, for holding a court of common pleas at the borough of Smethport, on Tuesday, the 20th day of May, 1890, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, May 1, 1890, and in the 114th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Notice in Divorce.

Mrs. J. L. Smith vs. John Smith.	In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Penn'a. No. 23, May Term, 1889.

IN DIVORCE.

To John Smith, the above named respondent:

You are hereby notified that the testimony, on behalf of the libellant, to be read on the hearing of the above entitled case, will be taken before the undersigned commissioner appointed by the said court, at the office of Apple & Bouton, Smethport, McKean county, Pennsylvania, on Thursday, May 15th, 1890, at ten o'clock a. m., at which time you may be present if you see fit.

JOHN N. APPLE, Commissioner.
Smethport, Pa., May 1, 1890. 2t.

Notice.

Mary E. Parker, by her next friend Wm. H. Chittenden vs. George B. Parker	In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county No. 75, Dec Term, 1889.

To the respondent, Geo. B. Parker

Sir: You will please take notice that the undersigned appointed by the Court, a commissioner to take testimony in the above entitled case on the part of the libellant, will take the depositions of libellants witnesses in said case at his office in Emporium, Cameron Co., Pa., between the hours of 9 a. m. and 9 p. m., on Saturday the 17th day of May, 1890, where and when you may attend if you see fit.

M. H. LARRABEE, J. P., Commissioner.
Emporium, Pa., April 25, 1890. 2t.

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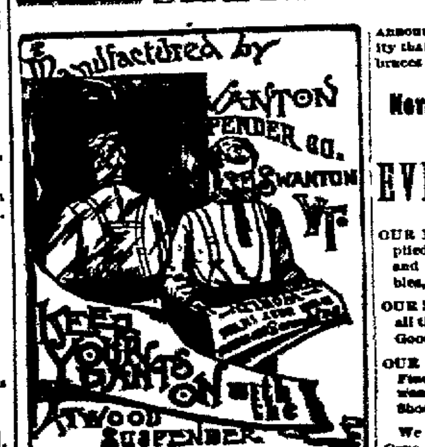

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OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT can not be beat. Fine Shoes for Ladies' Misses' and Children's wear. Also Men's Youths' and Boys' Boots and Shoes of every description.

We have also in stock a full line of Hats and Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Gloves and Mittens.

Groceries and Provisions and the Best Brands of Flour in the Market.

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Talk is cheap, but Sound Business Principles always pays in the long run. To the people of Smethport and the country surrounding, we have a few words to say.

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Second—We sell our goods at a living profit, and don't pretend to sell at less than what they cost.

Third—If we have not the goods wanted we will procure them at prices to suit purchasers.

We claim that no purchaser wants shoddy furniture palmed off onto them for first-class goods, and an experience of 27 years in the business convinces us that success always attends

-:- SQUARE DEALING. -:-

We sell a handsomer and better made bedroom set of Antique Oak furniture for $25 than was brought into this country from Buffalo during the past year for which $30 was paid,

We sell beautiful parlor sets and lounges at ten per cent. less than it will cost you to ship them in from Buffalo or Rochester.

Don't purchase until you look over our goods and prices.

SPECHT & SASSE.

McKean County Miner

[illegible] Associate Editor.

Smethport, Pa., May 9, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

[illegible]

Oh it will soon be that those skies
Shine like a fiery ball
And there will then be lots of flies
Upon it all. —Boston Courier.

County Convention next Tuesday.

License court convenes next Monday.

Attend the primaries to-morrow evening.

The [illegible] district is glad to announce a promenade.

Smethport has had a fair share of excitement of late.

May has been furnishing some frigid weather of late.

The next attraction will be a concert rendered by home talent.

E. H. Arnold of Port Allegany, was in town on Friday last.

—John Gilbreath Esq., of Kane, attended the convention, Tuesday.

—A. D. Mayo of Eldred, was a caller at the Miner office on Tuesday.

—The fountains on the court house lawn would stand a coat of paint.

—Work is progressing rapidly on Gifford's new mill on Mechanic street.

—This is the time of year to remove your flannels and catch a bad cold.

—G. C. Oviatt of Limestone, was a caller at the Miner office Tuesday.

—Bruce McCarty of [illegible], formerly of Smethport, was in town yesterday.

—William Chapman of Bradford, was over the hill Wednesday to see the race.

—H. J. James of the Bradford *Era*, was a spectator of the foot race Wednesday.

—Nature, like a coy maiden of "sweet sixteen" has arrived at her most charming period.

—S. W. Smith, Esq. of Port Allegany, was mingling with the school directors, on Tuesday.

—Thomas McDowell, one of Port Allegany's enterprising merchants was in town Tuesday.

—Senator L. Emery entertained an East Smethport audience for a few hours Wednesday evening.

Mr. Howard Merrill of Geneva, N. Y. was a guest at the residence of Judge H. Hamlin this week.

John L. Haley of this place, is the happy father of an eleven pound boy, who arrived last Saturday.

The election of Supt. Eckels by the school directors Wednesday was a surprise party to many people.

E. H. Curtis is making extensive improvements in his blacksmith and wagon shops on Water street.

Miss Ida May Washburn of Port Allegany, is a guest at the residence of [illegible] Hartwell on King street.

—Umbrella menders and organ men are on deck. The organ grinder is the latest cut of harmony in early bird's advent.

Attorneys Sheridan Gorton and E. R. Mayo, were in attendance at the Supreme Court, in Philadelphia this week.

George Welshons, the gifted correspondent of the Pittsburgh *Times* was a guest at the Wright House Wednesday night of this week.

—C. A. Burdick and wife are visiting relatives in Harrisburg. Mr. Burdick attended the convention of the Mutual Life agency at Philadelphia.

—Prof. C. D. Bogart, of Cleveland was elected superintendent of the Bradford Schools on Tuesday afternoon by the Board of School Controllers.

—A handsome widow chair, presented by W. H. Mandeville & Co., Insurance agents of Olean, has been received by the Smethport hose company.

—Miss Clara Thomas was called to Buffalo on Monday on account of the serious illness in the family of her sister Mrs. Hulett of Myrtle avenue.

—A dance was given by the Smethport Band in Kittredge opera house Wednesday evening. A goodly number of dead game sports were in attendance.

—Charles Benjamin of Port Allegany was in attendance at the school directors convention Tuesday, and found time to make the Miner office a pleasant call.

Delamater says that he will answer Emery's charges by getting the delegates from this county. That remains to be seen. Republicans should turn out to the primaries Saturday night.

—The new Presbyterian church at Mt. Jewett will be dedicated next Sunday. Rev. W. A. Rankin, of Warren will preach the sermon. The dedication service will take place at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

—A new fire alarm was placed upon the new hose house, corner of Fulton and Water streets on Friday last. It is a chime of whistles blown by gas, the sound of which can be heard a great distance.

—W. G. Pickard informs us that the stories of the illness of his registered Percheron stallion were put in circulation to injure his horse, which he proves is the finest blooded animal in this section of the state.

Quite a delegation from the "city" of Bradford came over to the "village" of Smethport to see the race Wednesday. The "village" affords the "city" a great deal of amusement in the line of substantial attractions.

—Willard A. King and Miss Ella Bush both of this place were united in matrimonial bonds by the Rev. Rutger Dox in Olean, last Monday evening. The ceremony took place at the Baptist parsonage in that city. The Miner extends congratulations.

—You can kill the town in which you live and have your being by buying your goods in other towns. Spend your money where you earn it, should be the policy of every one who has the prosperity of the place at heart. You may overlook this matter but it is too important with those who wish to see the town prosper to go unnoticed.

—Since the burglaries last week the hardware merchants have realized a boom in the fire-arm line and Morpheus the minister of the night has not been courted by Smethport's honest people as sincerely. We know of a fellow who has slept with both ears and one eye open and with a six shooter tickling his trimmy proboscis, while troubled dreams hovered over his downy couch.

—Twenty-four Knights Templar from Trinity Commandery No. 58, fourteen of whom were from Bradford and the balance from Smethport and Duke Centre, attended the funeral of their brother, Sir Knight Geo. A. Lackey, at Ceres on Friday last. The services, which were conducted principally by the Knights, were very impressive and the floral offerings exceedingly beautiful. The music by the Ceres quartette led by John J. Roberts, Esq., was excellent.

—Charles J. Tremaine who has been located in Smethport for the past two years and who was known in this place as an accomplished plumber, has established a business in Bradford. He is engaged in the refinishing of gas fixtures. Mr. Tremaine denies the statements in the Williamsport *Grit* of last Sunday, which reflected a very bad light upon his character, and thinks that he should be exonerated by the Smethport correspondent.

—A man is represented as going around and visiting the farmers and requesting the privilege of sowing a small strip of ground with a fertilizer of which he claims to be agent, merely to show what the fertilizer will do. Having finished the job the "agent" tells the farmer he will send him a corn binder for the trouble he has caused him and gets the farmer's autograph on a piece of paper or a postal card. As a result the farmer soon finds himself saddled with a lot of corn land and a big bill!

Judge Olmsted and Attorney F. W. Knox of Coudersport, B. D. Hamlin of Smethport, E. H. Arnold, of Port Allegany, and F. H. Root, of Buffalo, all stockholders in the Coudersport & Port Allegany railroad met with Attorney Charles S. Cary, of this city at the Olean House to-day, for a final settlement of the purchase by the New York syndicate. As the syndicate failed to put in an appearance the contract was declared off and the $20,000 above mentioned as on deposit is forfeited.—Olean *Herald*.

For the Monument Subscriptions.

The following contributions to "The Children's Monument Fund" are acknowledged with pleasure by Chairman Wright, who extends heartfelt thanks for same on behalf of the entire county.

HANSON SCHOOL.

Miss Sarah McNulty teacher.

F. T. Carson	[illegible]	Rosie Miller	[illegible]
Jennie Thompson	[illegible]	Jo A. Murphy	[illegible]
Bertha Watson	[illegible]	Cora Weeks	[illegible]
Hattie Wiley	[illegible]	Myrtl W[illegible]	[illegible]
Dot Simpson	[illegible]	Edward Hasson	[illegible]
Charlie Rice	[illegible]	Ralph Wiley	[illegible]
Harry Wiley	[illegible]	James Campbell	[illegible]
Joe Campbell	[illegible]	Harry Ritchie	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
George Miller	[illegible]	Lambert Simpson	[illegible]
Sarah M. Nulty	[illegible]		
Total			[illegible]
Previously reported			[illegible]
Grand total			[illegible]

Eckels Victorious.

The school directors of the county assembled at the court house on Tuesday afternoon to elect a county superintendent. The room was well filled with the ninety two directors who answered to roll call, and interested friends of the several candidates.

Superintendent Eckels called the convention to order at about 2 p. m. and J. H. Lay, Esq., of Clermont was elected chairman. F. F. Brown of Eldred and O. B. Lay of Kane were chosen secretaries. The fixing of the superintendent's salary was discussed and $1,500 a year was agreed upon. Forty-seven votes were required to make a majority there being seven candidates in the field including M. O. Campbell of Derrick City his strongest opponent. Eckels received 48 votes on the third ballot, and on a motion was declared unanimously elected. He made a few remarks appropriate to the occasion after which the convention adjourned.

HEGERTY THE WINNER.

The Sports Carry The Boodle to Foreign Lands.

The heralded Hegerty foot race as advertised was run in the presence of about 1,000 spectators Wednesday afternoon in Hamlin Park. Sports from Warren, Bradford, Jamestown and other places flocked to the county seat to witness the contest and back the winner. The hotels were filled to their utmost capacity and hundreds of dollars were staked prior to the race, the general conviction being that Jim Hegerty of Warren, the more diminutive of two giants would be "downed."

After the crowd had assembled on the scene of action the foreigners began to put up their dust with an abandon that was surprising and that dampened the ardor of the home boys. At about 3 o'clock while the band was discoursing sweet music the contestants appeared on the ground in their costumes and after scoring about 10 minutes the start was made. The race was an exciting one and the 100 yards was probably covered in 10 seconds, although holders of stop watches claim 9¾ seconds as the time made, Hegerty coming in about three feet in advance of Greenfield. Outbursts of enthusiastic cheers went up from the throats of the visitors, while the Smethport backers took the matter very philosophically considering the amount of money up. Arrangements have been made for a 300 yard race between Hegerty and Greenfield.

Memorial Day

Department Commander J. F. Denniston, Grand Army of the Republic, has issued the annual Memorial Day order in which he says:

May 30, 1890, will be observed by the posts of this department as Memorial Day, and it is hoped that every comrade will consider it his bounden duty to set aside this one day of the year to the solemn performance of the requirements of our association. Discourage levity and merry making by every means in your power, and by your example during the whole day attest to the young, the giddy and the thoughtless that this day is set apart by the American people as one of holiness and respect to the memory of our soldier dead.

"Other kindred and patriotic associations, such as the 'Woman's Relief Corps,' the 'Ladies of the G. A. R.' the 'Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States,' the 'Union Veteran Legion,' and the 'Sons of Veterans,' should be formally invited to participate, under the direction and as the guests of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is recommended that posts attend divine service on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day."

At a meeting of the committee of arrangements appointed by Post 347, held at the Wright House on Saturday evening last, the following officers and committees for Memorial Day exercises were appointed:

President of the Day—J. M. McElroy.
Orator—Hon. R. B. Stone.
Marshal—I. Rogers, whose aides will be named hereafter.
Reception Committee—E. S. Wright, H. M. Choate, H. L. Burlingame.
Music—Emil Thamm, Dr. H. L. McCoy, E. R. Mayo.
Chaplain—Rev. F. W. Chandler.

CEMETERIES.

Colegrove—Wm. Dickinson, Thomas Walker, A. W. Colegrove.
Aldrich—J. M. Robinson, W. W. Brewer, Wm. Smith.
Farmers Valley—J. H. McQuaid, W. H. Curtis, Wm. Brockham.
Rock Hill—Orrin Irish, M. O'Reilly, Almon Ostrander.
Flowers—Wm. H. Grumbine, C. S. Sanford, J. H. Bowers, M. S. Sheldon, J. H. Ellsworth, A. A. Wolters, J. D. Barnes.

The memorial services on Sunday, May 25th, will be held at the Baptist Church, at 3 o'clock p. m., Rev. Lukens officiating.

Thin and impure blood is made rich and healthful by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures scrofula, salt rheum, all blood disorders.

POETRY AND [illegible]

Her Requests.

The fairest girl with blooming cheek,
Who mourns her papa's scolding,
On the velvet lawn durch lightly seek
The games of Love now pending.

And yet in the days of spring glide by,
This same old "racket" worketh she
A tear is in her poor pale eye;
Some youths are mad with jealousy.

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Over in the land where the waters of the majestic Oswayo make the meadows green, a "Ceres" of amazing developments have lately presented themselves. Some years ago a youth who courted the pastoral muse, started a sheet wherein to chronicle the bucolics of the neighborhood. This infant libertine who slashed his exchanges with a vengeance, in his effort to keep his craft off the rocks, was extremely presumptuous and made a reputation for himself as a journalistic pirate. The germ of a high political ambition was yet to wax in the breast of our hero and the light of his adolescent genius to discover him to the world in his leviathan obscurity. An opportunity offered itself—it was a deal with a politician, and tired of his prosaic existence, he grasped it, regardless of the welfare of his county. The discriminative hand of the political gentleman wielded the shears for the shreds in the support of G. Wallace Delamater, and room was made in the columns for a batch of abusive censure and slander heaped upon Senator L. Emery because of his expose of Delamater's rottenness in a public speech. The Miner came to the rescue in the defence of Mr. Emery, whereupon the infant Hercules of journalism, who knows as much of politics as a babe unborn, got mad, and launched his bolts of scorn upon this paper and an influential daily paper of Bradford, calling the Miner a number of naughty names and the Bradford contemporary "a misnomer." We feel crushed under the weight of the blow, but will no doubt recover. The editor of the Oswayo bladder is a heavy writer.

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The Philadelphia *Inquirer* in complimenting editorially a number of Pennsylvania weekly newspapers including the McKean Miner, says: "Inland dailies like the West Chester *Local News*, Norristown *Herald* and the Doylestown *Intelligencer* to say nothing of the enterprising daily papers published in such inland cities as Lancaster, Reading, Scranton and Harrisburg, where, of course local daily papers are necessary, justify their existence, but on the whole, with these and some other exceptions, we confess to a preference for the substantial well printed paper that is issued once a week over the daily issues of the press that appear in communities which cannot support a flourishing daily paper even if the cost to the subscriber were precisely the same."

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The man who resolutely swears off on the blues at some period in his life, and determines never to succumb to melancholy is the sensible man. His cheerful disposition fortifies him against depressed spirits, chases away shadows, and his life is one worth living. His presence, like the sunshine, is ever welcome and he rejuvenates all misanthropes and despondent at times around him, bringing them to a realization of the fact that a few roses may be found in life's pathway, and that life is to a great extent what one makes it. The effect of a cheerful character on those with whom it comes in contact can not be fully realized, and as a directly opposite influence is extended by a crabbed and irritable nature, it is everybody's duty to cultivate a disposition having kindred with a May morning.

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The Pennsylvania Memorial Home at Brookville is proving extremely beneficial for indigent soldiers, their wives and families. All the inmates seem happy and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of the home and the comforts which the blessed charity of the Woman's Relief Corps have provided.—Warren *Mail*.

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The most economical man in Oil City has but one bad habit, and that is his love for tobacco. It is said that he purchases plug cut and after chewing it places it on the roof where he dries it out, collects it and smokes it in his pipe, the ashes he saves to clean his teeth.—Oil City *Derrick*.

KANE.

Local politicians are busy.

John A. Mell is clerking for O. B. Lay at Lay City.

P. C. West has returned from his western trip and is well pleased with Oregon.

George Griffith has thoroughly canvassed Kane borough and is as gruff as ever. That shows that he is confident of a clean sweep. He knows how, when and where to talk, and when it is necessary to keep a close tongue because he knows that F. W. Drayton never surrenders.

Charles Lawson the unfortunate Swede who had one leg and foot cut off on the P. & E. railroad near East Kane, is lying very low at Dr. Kane's hospital.

Alexis Keeler of Wetmore, is dangerously ill at Saegertown Springs. His brother, Dr. James Keeler, has little hopes of his recovery.

Webb Griffith of Ebensburg, Pa., is in town for a few days on business connected with his immense lumber and oil interests in and around Kane.

J. C. Myers has finally located at Ashtabula, Ohio, having purchased the saloon restaurant and billiard hall of Mrs. M. E. French on Main street. He shipped his furniture to his new home on Saturday.

Kane is growing right along and it is a first-class, substantial growth. Our merchants are having a large and profitable trade this spring. The building is putting a great deal of money into circulation.

The boycott against the Kane *Leader* is spreading and the probabilities are that we will have a staunch Republican paper published in Kane at no distant day. Hurry up the stock company so much talked of since the sleek bondsmen were so mercifully scored.

A break in the National Transit pipe line near the old Joe Green farm put fifteen or twenty thousand barrels of oil into the Spring Water Co.'s reservoir. Many of us Kaneites can use most anything for our daily drink even crude oil and water, but we must have a natatorium for our boys to swim in.

Our staid citizens are as a general thing not disposed to be superstitious or skeptical. However, quite a number are now guessing as to the meaning of the frequent visits of Elisha K. Kane and Davis Smiley. Wait until after license court for the interpretation.

The roads around Kane are in better condition than they have been for a long time, despite the weeks of continued rain.

We have for the past ten days had the most careful and painstaking bartenders in dispensing the ardent. Why its almost impossible for a temperance man to quench his thirst unless he takes oil and water.

Kane is overrun with tramps. Why not introduce them to Street Commissioner Harry A. Thomas, who is a proficient drill-master for that class of people at the same time our streets would derive some benefit.

Many old wells pumps and cisterns are being cleaned out and put in working order during the water famine.

Our public schools closed on the 5th and many small and some larger hearts are buoyant for a time at least.

—Seals may be classed as fur-trade animals.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

The new police force have donned their new uniforms.

Mrs. Geo. A. Northrup is visiting her parents in Corry.

Carpenters and painters are in great demand just now.

Brennan & Davis' watch club is becoming quite popular.

It has at last been demonstrated that the Bradfords can play ball.

N. B. Collins has been enlarging his residence on Corydon street.

Excavation for the Webster street paving job is well under way.

C. P. Collins and family have returned from an extended western trip.

W. F. Specht, of Smethport, made Bradford a visit on Thursday last.

The Sawtelle Company are holding the boards at the opera house this week.

L. S. Bright, of the Jamestown *News* made Bradford a short visit on Friday.

What has become of that tubular car plant boom? Has it been laid away to season?

Work is progressing rapidly on the Silberberg-Hellstein building on Congress street.

There are about 1,000,000 worthless dogs in this city that could be spared just as well as not.

A majority of the business places on Main street are now illuminated by means of electricity.

The ladies of the A. M. E. church are perfecting arrangements for a fair to be held in the near future.

S. S. Woodbury, the reliable Mechanic street bottler, has put a very handsome covered delivery wagon on the road.

Mrs. D. W. C. Huntington left Bradford last Thursday morning for a two months' visit with friends in California.

An air-gun in the hands of the average small boy has become a large sized nuisance in this city and should be suppressed.

The Bradford carpenters are now working nine hours for a day's work. The whole affair was brought about without a strike.

The oil market has been quite firm during the past week. The price has hung around the 84 cent point with great tenacity.

Dr. W. J. Russell has been appointed city physician by the Board of Health. A better appointment could not have been made.

Wm. M. Phillips, aged 30 years, died at his residence on Chestnut street on Saturday. He leaves a wife and child to mourn his demise.

James Bond, aged 70 years, who has been a resident of Bradford for many years died last Friday evening in his room in the Fava block.

The sewerage system of Chestnut St. is in a wretched condition. The horrible smell emanating from the stagnant water on that thoroughfare is sickening.

A handsome photograph of the class of '90 of the Bradford High School has been on exhibition during the past week in the window of Stewart's jewelry store.

Trinity Commandery made a pilgrimage to Ceres last Friday for the purpose of taking part in the funeral obsequies of the late Geo. Lackey, an honored companion.

The sanitary condition of some portions of Bradford is in a very bad state, and if we are to be exempted from contagious diseases there will have to be some effective work done.

Two of the lady teachers in the Bradford schools have become managers of juvenile base ball clubs. The first game of the season between their respective clubs was played Saturday.

The councils have instructed the city clerk to advertise for bids for taking care of the Public Square during the season. So we may expect to see that plot of ground bloom like the rose ere long.

W. F. Healy has associated himself with Robert Bauer, the hustling Public Square insurance man, for the purpose of transacting a general insurance business. The firm will be known as Bauer & Healy.

Congressman Watson is exerting himself in the direction of providing Bradford with a public building and at this writing the prospects are very encouraging that his efforts will be crowned with success.

It does not take long to drum up a big crowd in this city to see a sparring match even if the price of admission is $2. Our country residents do not split hairs when they are asked to contribute for the advancement of "science."

The Hong Kong tea man has left us. He did a thriving business selling his tea—which was not worth the carrying home—for $1 per can with a bare possibility of getting a brass ring with a glass setting thrown in. Apparently people like to be humbugged.

The charities of Mrs. L. Emery are unlimited, as many a poor outcast can truthfully attest. The good this kind hearted lady does in this city every year cannot be computed. Would that there were more of such noble women in the land to cheer and encourage the unfortunate.

The managers of Secretary Stone's canvass for governor in this county have in Hon. W. W. Brown and Col. A. I. Wilcox two strong and popular candidates for delegates to the State Convention. If these two gentlemen are selected Mr. Stone will have no abler champions in the convention.

On Thursday evening, May 1 at the residence of the bride's parents, on Hill street, Miss May Harrington and Charles Dean were united in marriage by Rev. Father Coonan. The happy couple were tendered a reception on Friday evening by their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Dean will reside on High street.

Notwithstanding the fact that there is an ordinance forbidding ball playing on the street, there is a good deal of that sport indulged in by heedless ones—especially shop-men—who monopolize the sidewalks at noon-time for that purpose. The police would be doing a good service if they would see that the ball playing ordinance is enforced.

On Thursday evening of last week Bradford narrowly escaped having a slugging match—which local managers had planned to be to a finish. The affair was kept very quiet, apparently, but when the hour arrived when hostilities were announced to commence 300 or 400 spectators, who had paid $2 each to see the mill, had assembled. After considerable wrangling among the sluggers and their backers it was decided that the principals would not fight to a finish, and so a promised sporting event in Bradford was a fizzle. The spectators had their $2 returned to them and dispersed, greatly chagrined that they did not have an opportunity to witness a genuine "knock-out" affair.

CLERMONT.

John F. Keating is visiting in Olean.

The miners had their pay-day Monday.

L. Steinhauer has moved in his new store.

John Perry of Kasson spent Sunday with his brother here.

Its pleasant to see how harmoniously everything works.

Superintendent J. H. Tate went to Olean Saturday on business.

Jacob Aumend and Frank Hafner had business at Wilcox Saturday.

Someone must fix the railroad crossing near Sam Gray's. It is impossible for a team to cross as it is now.

Charles Keenan, one of Olean's grocery kings, was here Monday wanting to sell 100 bushels of potatoes.

Everybody that can should attend church next Sunday. Rev. J. G. Hann will tell you something new.

Dr. Borg Chadwick and wife of Smethport, were here the other evening and registered at the Bayer house.

Mrs. Wm. Heron and children of Keating Summit, are visiting with Mrs. F. Chalmers of the Bayer house.

I am sorry to say that Mrs. Peter Martin is and has been very ill for the past week. We all hope for her speedy recovery.

The time is past when traveling men get out of Clermont for Sunday. A good many make it a point to spend the Sab- as any town in the county.

People going to dances should endeavor to keep sober. A drunken man's actions and language must be disgusting to any lady, and his presence in a ball room should not be allowed.

I don't know of anyone that I could have been more pleased to see than my old friend Patsy Geynor. He came up from Jefferson county Monday to pay his parents a visit. "Patsy" is a worthy son of worthy parents.

Our Swedish citizens had a very nice party at Anderson's hall last Friday evening. Supper was served by J. W. Anderson at his residence and to say it was a good one is not necessary, for those that know Mrs. Anderson know it could not be otherwise.

The young people of this place will open the season with a grand ball at the Anderson's opera house next Friday evening. Belknap's orchestra of three pieces is advertised to furnish the music. That the dance will be something of a *la creme* affair is assured. Supper will be served at the hall. I shall endeavor to give the readers of the Miner a few pointers in regard to this dance next week.

What has been known around here as the school case, came off Tuesday at our justice office. After hearing 18 witnesses' testimony, nothing of a serious nature could be proven and the two defendants, who by the way, are two highly respected young men, were discharged. The writer of this is satisfied that the school board did not ascertain where the blame really laid. It was certainly not the fault of these two boys that the school has been disorderly and the school house disfigured.

COLEGROVE.

Keep on the sidewalk, please.

Hum parties are in order.

Alda Carter of Hamlin is at home again.

Mrs. B. D. Colegrove is again keeping boarders.

The schools of this township open the 19th of this month.

Wm. Carter is limping around again. What's the matter, Will?

Messrs. Frank and Will Moore have taken a bark job of J. Colegrove.

Miss Ethel Wright returned to her school at Olean last Monday morning.

C. M. Gillett is packing bark for Henry Bayard & Co., on the dock at Hamlin.

It is rumored that the N. T. Co. is about to move their telephone at Hamlin.

Tent Rife has returned to his home in Norwich. What is the attraction, Tent?

Russel Carter is so improved in health as to be calling on his friends and neighbors.

L. Ramer of Smethport, was the right man in the right place one week ago last Friday.

Dell must have got tired of keeping bachelor's hall as we notice he has his sister with him on Lasher brook.

Miss Eva Gallup of Norwich, has returned to her home after a two week's visit with her brother, Chester Gallup of Glen Hazel.

We noticed that D. M. Wright, Mack DeHass and Jack Kelly boarded the drummer's extra at Colegrove last Monday morning bound for Clermont.

We had a pleasant time last Tuesday evening at the residence of C. A. Anderson, and we expect to have another good time at J. Colegrove's next Friday evening.

Quite a bad smash up occurred at Hamlin last Friday evening. Nineteen cars were derailed, one of which ran over the depot platform and broke a monument which was to be placed in the Colegrove cemetery for Mrs. G. A. Hyde.

KASSON.

Tramps are getting quite plenty here.

New families moving in nearly every day.

Mrs. Ella Burlingame is sojourning in Colegrove.

L. N. Bates called on friends here on Wednesday.

Mrs. F. Black and daughters visited Smethport on Tuesday.

Mrs. P. Hafner visited her parents in Bell's Camp on Monday.

Miss Nellie Hafner is staying with her grandparents at Bell's Camp.

Mrs. George Garlick spent the past week with friends in Coleville.

Our new supervisor has started some much needed repairs on the roads.

George Laurie of Corry is visiting his brother Wm. Laurie of this place.

The flood is a success this time. But why does it always come on Sunday.

Messrs. Kerns and Yeager of Smethport, evidently found the trout quite plenty up Marvin Wednesday.

J. O. Perry has the grounds about his new house very nicely graded and beautified with some shrubbery.

Mrs. H. W. Burlingame and son have returned from Colegrove, where they were called by the illness of Mrs. Olmstead.

Arbor day was observed here by our school children, who planted a number of very fine trees which will greatly improve the grounds.

Among others that went to Smethport on Thursday were D. Martin, Wm. Hafner, Samuel Bloomster, T. Kinney, P. Hafner and Wm. Swanson.

NORWICH.

J. W. Bolton, of Smethport, was driving up the Potatoe creek road last Saturday looking at the placid water as if he was preparing a case against the speckled beauties.

The caucus Saturday night promises to be a lively one.

Another smash-up on the Clermont branch of the W. N. Y. & P. last Friday at Hamlin. A south bound freight was running past Hamlin, the engine and a number of cars passed the switch, when the switch pin broke letting the rear end of the train onto the siding. Sixteen cars were bunched. The damage to rolling stock was heavy but fortunately no live stock was injured.

John Scheukel, of Friendship, N. Y., is doing some fine work in the cemetery at Colegrove. Mr. Scheukel is an excellent workman, allowing your correspondent to be judge.

Street Commissioner Black, of Smethport, spent Sunday with C. W. Dickinson. "Uncle Billy" has a good many friends in this locality.

W. D. Gallup, of Smethport, was angling for trout on the west branch last week but he says the season is too wet.

Russel Carter who has been dangerously ill is at present able to take short walks daily.

There is considerable excitement in Norwich over the underhanded scheme to steal the Union Church at Colegrove. I may speak of this again.

Some of the ladies of Colegrove received some very peculiar letters last week from a near neighbor. Such things may be becoming in a saint but they would certainly be a disgrace to a sinner.

ELDRED.

C. P. Collins and family have returned from California and will hereafter make their home in Bradford.

Miss Nella Torrey of North Java, N. Y., has opened a class in vocal and instrumental music. Miss Torrey is known to many of the Miner's readers as a successful teacher.

Miss Seibert took charge of Professor George's room Tuesday while he attended the convention at Smethport.

Mrs. J. C. Welch has returned from a visit among Olean friends.

Many tickets have already been sold for the May party and promenade concert to be given by the band boys Friday night. One of the principal features of the evening will be the May pole dance.

The pupils in Miss Cotter's room had their pictures taken in front of the school building Monday afternoon.

Brooks' dray horses caused a little excitement Wednesday morning by running from one depot to the other. Not much damage was done.

H. J. Williams of Port Allegany, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Barber and daughter have returned to Buffalo.

John Eastman visited Ceres friends last week.

Miss Mattie Scholes has been visiting Angelica friends this week.

Miss Edna Hammond has been engaged to take charge of the Canfield hollow school this summer.

The popular excursion agent, C. C. Lowry of Holland, N. Y., was in town Tuesday last.

The Northern Summer Resorts

of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Dakota, not forgetting the famous Excelsior springs of Missouri, are more attractive during the present season than ever before.

An illustrated Guide Book, descriptive of a hundred or more of the choicest spots of creation, on the lines of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y, will be sent free upon application to A. V. H. Carpenter, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill., or to Jno. R. Pott, G. P. A., Williamsport, Pa.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—Some strikes are on the carpet at Brussels.

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—Farm to rent. Apply to A. Reilly.

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store.

—For wall paper, go to Reilly's Furniture and Carpet store.

—Nothing is more provoking than a troublesome cough. Cure it with Dr. Bull's cough syrup. 25 cts.

—Blooded sheep for sale. Enquire of A. Reilly, Smethport, Pa.

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfield's Main street.

—A Buffalo bill is no novelty to people who buy goods in Buffalo, N. Y.

—Apples and potatoes at lowest market rates, kept constantly on hand at J. H. Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—G. J. Smith has purchased a dray in connection with his ice business and persons requiring haulage would do well to give him a call.

—"That's right, give it to him." This was the expression of an old nurse, when somebody recommended Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for our baby.

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sasse's Furniture rooms.

—People who are suffering from the effect of torpor of the liver, should take Laxador and they will soon be well and happy. Price only 25 cents.

—If you want pictures framed in the latest styles call at Specht and Sasse's Furniture rooms, Main Street, Smethport.

—The drug store soda fountain's fizz is more popular than the drug store's physic.

—Families, jobbers and everybody can be supplied with fresh and salt meats promptly upon application at Stull's, East Smethport, Pa.

—Wanted, a girl to do general house work. For information apply at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Backus, Main St.

—Itch, Mange, and Scratches on human or animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong druggist, Smethport. 26 43 1y

—He led the German and his dudish dress was the admiration of the assembled fair, but his stout partner slipped on his favorite corn. Sensation! Salvation Oil to the rescue. Happiness again!

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market, East Smethport, Pa.

A Sensible Man

Would use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. It is curing more cases of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a Sample Bottle *Free* to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Large Bottles 50c. and $1.

Notice.

When going out of town to buy furniture, step off at Eldred and look at my immense stock of elegant parlor and bedroom furniture, also baby carriages. I pay the freight and fare both ways. Will please you sure. Respectfully
F. A. CARTER.

Look, Look, Look!

Listen to me fishermen.
Best split Bamboo fly rods $4.50 each.
Best snelled hooks 25 cents per dozen.
Best oiled silk lines 2 cents per yard.
Best turned wing trout flies 53 cents per dozen of all killing patterns.
Trout baskets 50 cents each.
Come in and look at them.
13 tf J. B. LARAWAY.

Communion Wine.

Mr. Alfred Speer, the celebrated wine grower of New Jersey preserves the unfermented juice of the grape for Sacramental use. It has been adopted, and its use among the prominent divines of this country. It is also used by Invalids with remarkably good effect. For sale by druggists.

What it Costs

Must be carefully considered by the great majority of people, in buying even necessities of life. Hood's Sarsaparilla commends itself with special force to the great middle classes, because it combines positive economy with great medicinal power. It is the only medicine of which can truly be said "100 Doses one Dollar," and a bottle taken according to directions will average to last a month.

"Tired all the Time,"

Say many poor men and women, who seem overworked, or are debilitated by change of season, climate or life. If you could read the hundreds of letters praising Hood's Sarsaparilla which come from people whom it has restored to health, you would be convinced of its merits. As this is impossible, why not try Hood's Sarsaparilla yourself and thus realize the benefit? It will tone and build up your system, give you a good appetite, overcome that tired feeling and make you feel, as one woman expresses it, "like a new creature."

A Great Battle

Is constantly going on in the human system when you suffer with consumption, coughs or colds they thrive to ruin health and drag victims to the grave, take timely warning and use Puritan Cough and Consumption Cure. Price 25 cents. Trial bottles free.

Dr. Lee's Liver Regulator is a sure cure for dyspepsia, biliousness, heartburn, indigestion and all kidney complaints. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

FOR SALE—One pair of Oxen, 8 years old, will weigh 3,300 lbs. well mated and good workers. Enquire of
J. B. WRIGHT,
24-tf Coleville Pa.

SMETHPORT BAND AND PROF HILLS' Orchestra. Music furnished for all public and private entertainments in a satisfactory manner. Terms reasonable. Apply to J. W. Baker, Manager, Smethport, Pa. 6tf.

FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale 100,000 No. 1 Pine Shingles. Call on or address
A. J. BOND,
April 25—tf Smethport, Pa.

FOR SALE — A small House and lot on Willow street. For particulars enquire at Emil Thamm's cigar store, 49 Main street.

RUPTURE cure guaranteed by Dr. J. B. Mayer, 831 Arch St., Phil'a, Pa. Ease at once, no operation or business delay. Thousands cured. Send for Circular. No. 39 tf.

A USEFUL PRESENT.

Specht and Sasse are sole agents in this section of the County for the Crosby Invalid Bed. This is one of the most useful articles for the sick room ever invented, and it would be a most welcome christmas present to send to your sick friend. It gives comfort and ease to invalids when they are so exhausted from disease that they are obliged to be lifted from one bed to another to have it made up. It affords easy access to the body in cases of fractures, amputations, dysentary, fevers, rheumatism, &c. It is simple in construction and will not get out of order. Call and see it at their Furniture rooms on Main street.

Cough and Consumption Cure, they will find a quick relief and permanent benefit; the medical profession declare it a remedy of the highest value. Try it, price 25 cents. Trial bottles free.

A large proportion of the diseases which cause human suffering, result from derangement of the stomach, bowels and liver. Dr. Lee's Liver Regulator removes all these troubles. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

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FOR

BARGAINS

In any Class of Goods Desired.

I buy strictly for cash and sell for money or its equivalent, and consequently have no bad debts for my cash customers to make up. I hav th insid trac k on the

Shoe Trade

and propos holding it by keping a complete and guarantsed stock at bottom prices. My stock of

GROCERIES

is always of the best, and right here I will state that I make a specialty of

Teas and Coffees.

Our Murray hill coffee is simply elegant and can be made fit for a king by any good housewife without a recipe. Try Chase & Sanborn's Java and Moca; also our No 34. This is a new brand and a good one for the money. Just drop in, look around and if you don't see what you want ask for it. I have it down stairs.

D. C. YOUNG.

NEW GOODS

We cannot complain, all things considered, of our opening trade, as [illegible] this season, and if fair dealing, desirable goods, at reasonable prices are appreciated, and we know they are, especially in this locality, we will continue to have a fair share of public patronage.

New goods are coming in almost daily and it is our intention to keep them coming and in this way we will have the latest and most fashionable designs in dress goods, hats, bonnets, &c., in the market on hand at all times. We have adopted this plan deeming it better to keep with the styles, which are constantly changing than to put in a large stock of such as are in the market at one time, and subject to change.

We would call especial attention to our display of

MILLINERY,

Hats, Toques, Bonnets, Feathers, Flowers, Ribbons, Etc.

Call and see our new dress goods, consisting of Henriettas, Mohair Goods, Callendines, Cashmeres, New style French Ginghams "Toile du Nord," Calicoes, Bleached and Unbleached Muslins. Fine Muslin Gowns, trimmed with [illegible] Hamburg, Fine Muslin Skirts and all kinds of Muslin Garments for ladies' [illegible] wear. Corset and Corset Covers. Dress Trimmings, Buttons, Etc. [illegible] Goods very elegant and all exceedingly cheap. Hamburg Laces, Etc., in endless profusion.

Kid Gloves, Silk, Taffeta and Jersey Gloves and Mitts for all ages.

The latest in Back Combs and Fancy Hair pins.

Stylish Spring Coats, Jackets and Jerseys.

The Hosiery Line is complete, low in price and consists of fancy stripes (which are much worn this spring), for ladies, misses, and children. [illegible] Hose for boys.

We have also just received a very fine line of the latest pattern Shoes and Slippers for women, misses and children. We have [illegible] the finest high cut shoes for boys ever brought to this market. We are [illegible] all kinds of goods at remarkably low prices and invite the closest inspection of our stock, knowing that we cannot be undersold.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

Smethport, April 18th 1890.—tf

VISIONS OF SPRING.

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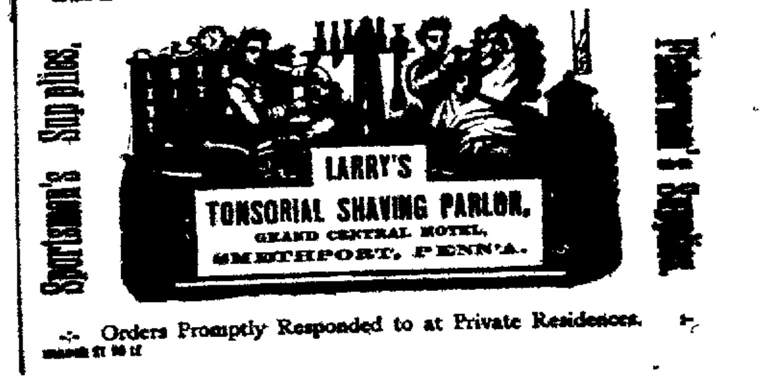

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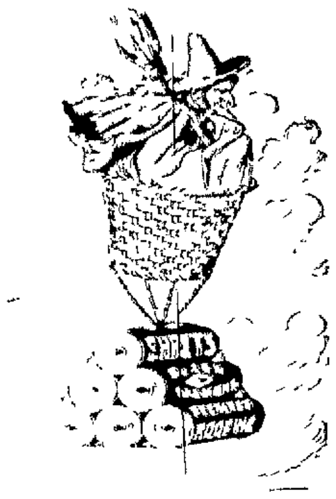

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE RAILROAD DIVISION TIME TABLE [illegible]

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

[illegible]

WESTWARD.

[illegible]

[illegible] General Manager.

J. R. WOOD, Gen'l Passenger Ag't.

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TIME TABLE IN EFFECT [illegible]

WESTWARD p.m.	a.m.	a.m.	STATIONS.	EASTWARD a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
6 10	11 50	[illegible]	ar Bradford lv	7 50	[illegible]	5 00
[illegible]	11 15	[illegible]	Kinzua Jn	[illegible]	2 45	5 44
5 27	11 3	[illegible]	Lew City	[illegible]	[illegible]	5 54
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Rixford	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 15
4 15	10 55	7 43	Duke Centre	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	10 15	7 .01	Eldred	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 40
			B. E. & C. R. R.			
[illegible]	[illegible]		Ceres	10 12	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]		Little Genesee	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible]		lv Bolivar Ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]		Allentown	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]		lv Wellsville ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	
p.m.	a.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	
p m	p m	a m		a m	a.m	p m
5 20	3 20	[illegible]	ar Bradford lv	[illegible]	[illegible]	5 40
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Kinzua Junction	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Aiken	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Davis	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Simpson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Smethport	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Mt. Jewett	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Kane	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

JNO. C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday June [illegible] 1887.

EASTWARD A M	P M	P M	STATIONS.	WESTWARD	A M	P M
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coudersport	[illegible]	[illegible]	5 00
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hammonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Fishbasket	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Olmsted	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Newton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Pomeroy Bridge	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Burtville	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coleman	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Port Allegany	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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Time Table in effect Oct. 20, 1889.

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HOMES OF PUBLIC MEN.

RESIDENCES OF FOUR WELL KNOWN NATIONAL LAW MAKERS.

Mr. Mills Gardens, Mr. Reed Stands on His Head, Mr. Buckalew Sits in His Library, and Mr Lawler Receives His Constituents.

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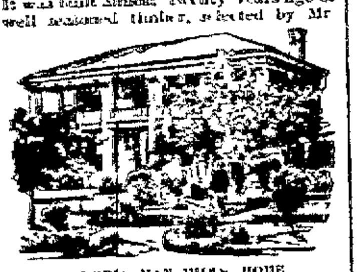
The residence of Hon Roger Quarles Mills, who was the chairman of the ways and means committee in the last congress, occupies a conspicuous position a few hundred yards from the town of Corsicana Tex, and is a typical example of the plain substantial southern home. It was built almost twenty years ago of well seasoned timber, selected by Mr Mills himself, and consequently is in pretty nearly as good a condition now as when first put up. Substantial square pillars support the roof which is only two stories above the ground. A wide gallery runs around the house and all the upper windows open upon it. The spacious hall affords the greatest possible amount of air during the hot season, and the large, comfortable rooms are always pleasantly cool. A long wing extends from the back of the residence and contains the kitchen and servants quarters, and at some distance in the rear is the stable and carriage house.

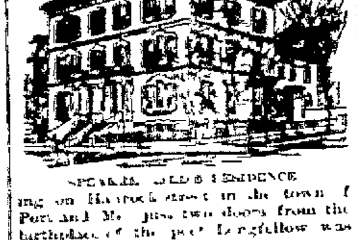


CONGRESSMAN MILLS' HOME

The French windows in the rooms on the lower floor open directly into the garden. If Mr Mills has any other hobby than the tariff question it is the cultivation of flowers. Of this he is passionately fond and the grounds in front and on each side of his house are filled with floral beds of every description. Fifteen acres of land lie in the rear of the house part of which is cultivated as a vegetable garden in the care of which Mrs. Mills is almost as assiduous as is her husband among the flowers. A small lake well stocked with fish affords an opportunity for boating and in one corner of the estate, well shaded by thick trees is a lawn tennis court, where the younger members of the family enjoy themselves.

The house is only occupied during the summer time the family spending the winter in Washington with Mr Mills.

The little frame house in which Speaker Reed was born, and which is still standing on Hancock street in the town of Portland Me, just two doors from the birthplace of the poet Longfellow was poor enough in outward appearance. Young Reed used to pass many more pretentious looking residences on his daily journeyings to school and one of them in particular struck his fancy. It was a pretty little place standing back from the street in a small garden of its own. Frequently he would stop and admire it and then turn away and in a tone of intense conviction, say to his comrades “Boys that house suits me. I shall buy it when I grow up and get married.” The boys laughed but it was not many years before Mr Reed attained his ambition and entertained his school friends in the very house he had coveted.



SPEAKER REED'S RESIDENCE

After he had been in congress however for some years and gained a reputation for legal ability this residence which satisfied the boy became too small for the man and he purchased the one he now occupies. It is a semi-detached dwelling, standing at the corner of State and Deering streets in the most fashionable part of the city. The other half of the double house which is here pictured belongs to Hon W. L. Putnam who was one of the fisheries commissioners appointed by the last administration to settle the fisheries disputes between the United States and the Canadian government. Reed and Putnam notwithstanding their political differences may frequently be seen fraternizing and enjoying the salubrious breezes on the balconies from which a grand view of the Bay can be obtained on one side, and a wide stretch of lovely country on the other may be had.

The house is built of brick and, as Mr Reed himself says, is “a very fine house indeed for Portland.” The flight of stone steps with the brightly polished brass rails leading up to the heavy walnut doors and the little strip of green sward surrounding the place and aristocratically fenced in would have struck awe to the boyish heart of “Tom” Reed. Inside, the house is just as comfortable as its external appearance would indicate. Most of the rooms on the lower floor connect with each other and the handsome walnut doorways are hung with portieres. There is only one bay window and that is in the library which is well stocked with books. On the walls of this room and the dining room which is finished in Pompeiian red are many mementoes of the cruises of Capt Reed, the speaker's father who was master at different times of various small coasting vessels. On the upper floors the sleeping apartments all have connecting dressing rooms with ample closets attached.

Speaker Reed is something of an art connoisseur, and particularly during the last year or two, has been purchasing good pictures wherever he could find them. The walls of his home are covered with water colors and oil paintings, some of which are of considerable value. He is looking forward to a trip to Japan in a year or so and expects to bring back some additions to his collection as examples of Japanese art.

Just on the outskirts of Bloomsburg a thriving little town of Columbia county Pa., stands the home of Representative Charles R. Buckalew, who has successively been a member of the Pennsylvania legislature, of the diplomatic service of the United States senate and of the lower house of congress. It is only a few hundred yards walk from the center of the town to this charming little country place but it is up hill all the way. The view however, to be obtained from the eminence on which the residence stands is well worthy of observation and fully repays the pedestrian for the trouble of walking thither. From it a wide expanse of undulating country is visible dotted with houses, tall chimneys and here and there the shafts of coal mines for it is on the edge of the agricultural district of Pennsylvania where it merges into the mining region.

Mr Buckalew lives with his daughter in a picturesquely gabled house. Surrounded as it is by trees, the place in the spring and summer is embowered with green. A large and handsome porch runs along the front and one side, giving an extra room, which is the favorite romping ground of Mr Buckalew's grandchildren. The lawns in front and on the side are well kept and smooth, and form an additional playground.

Inside, the place is furnished very much as other country houses are. The floors in the hall and dining room are not carpeted, but are brilliantly polished instead. The library is the only room which is finished in hard woods. Everything here is of cherry. On the walls are curios preserved as mementoes of Mr Buckalew's diplomatic career in South America. The shelves are well stocked with books bearing evident marks of frequent perusal. The majority are not of a nature to please the average reader being principally law books, works of reference and books upon the political and constitutional history of Pennsylvania and the United States. In this respect Mr Buckalew's library is said to be as complete as any private collection in the state. He himself has contributed something to it by his volume on Proportional Representation and a work upon the constitution of Pennsylvania. Mr Buckalew spends most of his time when home in this room.

WHERE HON. C. R. BUCKALEW LIVES.

Almost everybody knows or has heard of Hon Frank Lawler the member from Chicago as Speaker Reed designates him. His home is a modest one on West Taylor street, Chicago. He built it himself a few years ago and is very proud of the fact. The pressed brick front, with its brown stone trimmings, makes it look, as he himself says “very much like any other two story and basement brick to be found in any city.” For the sake of warmth and solidity he built the walls three feet thick all the way up so that it is very cosy inside even when the thermometer is way down below in winter. The latchstring is always out when Mr Lawler is at home and he says he receives between 50 and 100 calls each evening from constituents.

HON. FRANK LAWLER'S DWELLING

HENRY E. FLAND.

Overheard in the Capitol Rotunda.

“Speaking of Secretary Blaine,” says Mr Mills, “reminds me that I once owned the land on which his big house which he rents to the rich merchant Leiter for a thousand dollars a month is built. If I had held to that land I would have been a millionaire instead of a poor man who is kept busy living on a congressman's salary. When I first came down to Washington the northwestern section of the city now built up with many of the finest residences which the capital can boast was a farm and a pretty wet poor farm at that. Finally a part of this ground was put on the market and I bought four acres of it for a song. I kept it for a number of years, but the taxes were heavy after a time and I finally sold out at a little profit. That land is now worth from four to seven dollars a square foot and I figure that my four acres would now be worth a round million.”

Pasteur's treatment for the prevention of hydrophobia may be the only proper one but the madstone still holds its own as a popular remedy in some portions of the country. It is reported to have been used with decided success recently on an Arkansas woman who was bitten on the arm wrist ankle and foot.

Items of General Interest.

Melons should never be gathered till the stem has sprung—that is, parted from the fruit—more or less.

According to one estimate during the past ten years the amount of capital invested in vineyards and grape growing has increased over one hundred millions of dollars, with an annual product of over twenty five millions of dollars.

Col. Curtis says that the best rule is to get manure out upon the land where it is needed as fast as made. The next best thing to do is to keep manure under cover when it cannot be thus drawn out.

Granger roads is the term sometimes applied to railroads in some of the western states whose rates of transportation have been limited by the state laws governing them within the boundaries of the state.

Visible supply of grain is the amount of grain in the hands of dealers, warehousemen and others as ascertained from trustworthy sources.

Merino is the most widely distributed type of sheep in this country.

Essex swine are invariably black. Berkshires are black with an occasional splash of white and some of the Neapolitans are pure black.

An Australian correspondent says: “One of the best remedies I ever found for foot rot in sheep was to turn them often dressing the feet on a dry floor covered two inches deep with quicklime.”

To get a run down horse into condition give it light exercise rather than idleness.

A popular porker is a little fellow with large juicy hams, the large hogs being more desirable for producing lard.

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To The Editor:—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above-named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P O address. Respectfully T. A. SLOCUM, M. C. 181 Pearl St., N. Y.

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100 Ladies Wanted.

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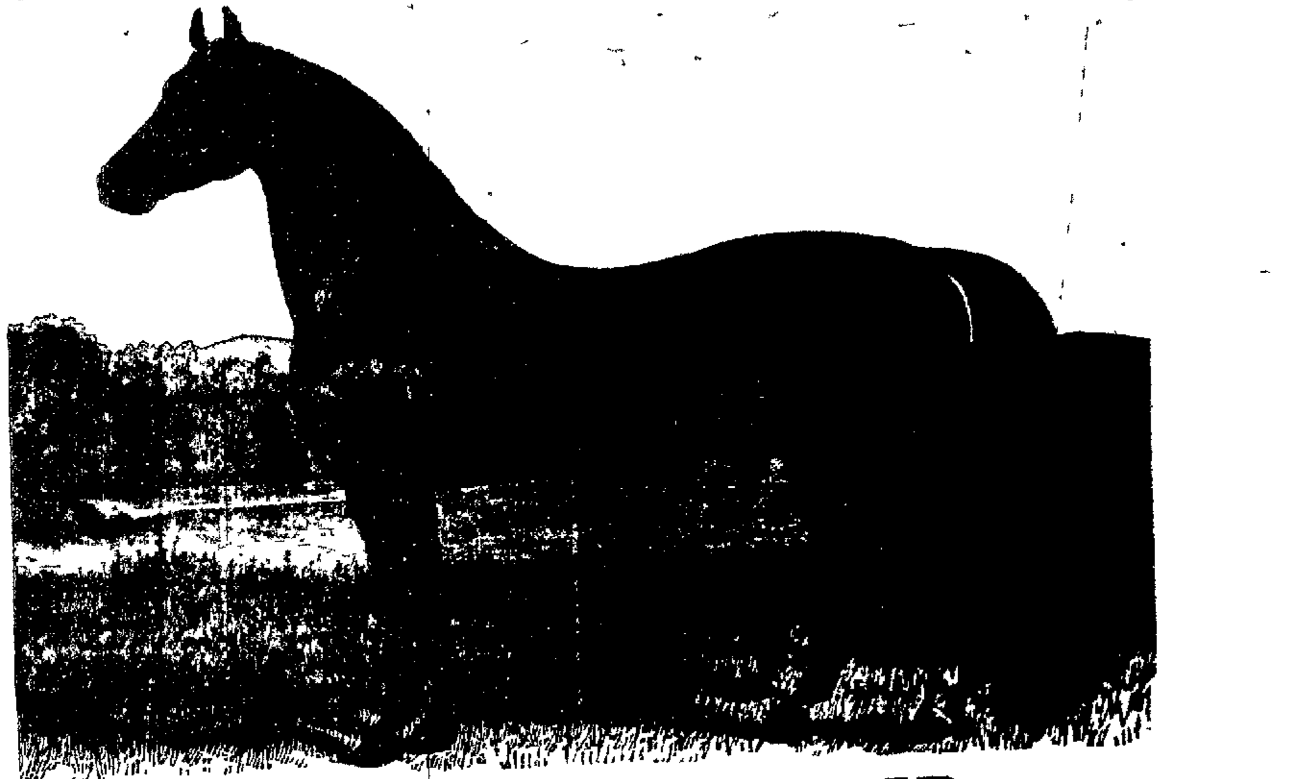
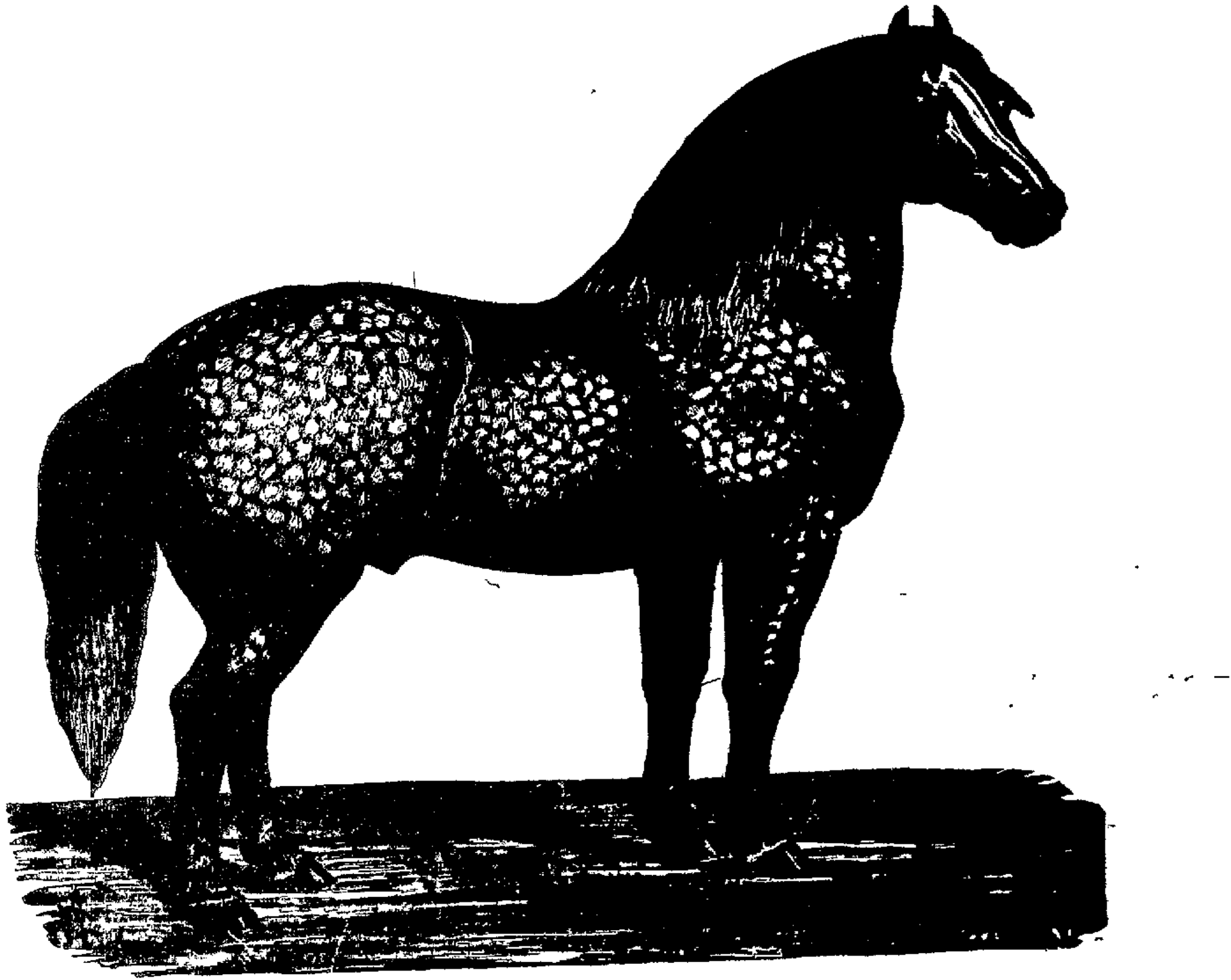


MAJOR EDSALL, JR.

Deep blood bay eight years old, weight 1,100, sired by Major Edsell, record 2,29, sire of Major McGregor 2.17⅓; Major Edsel by Alexander Abdallah, sire of Goldsmith Maid 2 14, Rosalind 2.13¾, Thorndale 2 27½, St Elmo 2 30, Fanny Mapes, the dam of Jerome Eddy, 2 16½. Alexander s Abdallah by Rysdeck's Hambletonian. Terms of service, $10 00 to insure. I would be pleased to have all parties interested in breeding good horses call and look at Major Edsel. He is a fine horse and is sure to be of great service in improving the breed of horses in this locality. He will be found at Palmers livery and sale stables, Smethport.



BRILLIANT.

I would be pleased to haveany and all parties interested in breeding good horses call and take a look at BRILLIANT. He is a fine specimen of the Norman Percheron stock, and is sure to be of great service in improving the breed of horses in this locality. Terms reasonable. He will be found at Palmer s livery and sale stables.

Smethport, Pa., April 30, 1890.

A. T. PALMER, Proprietor.

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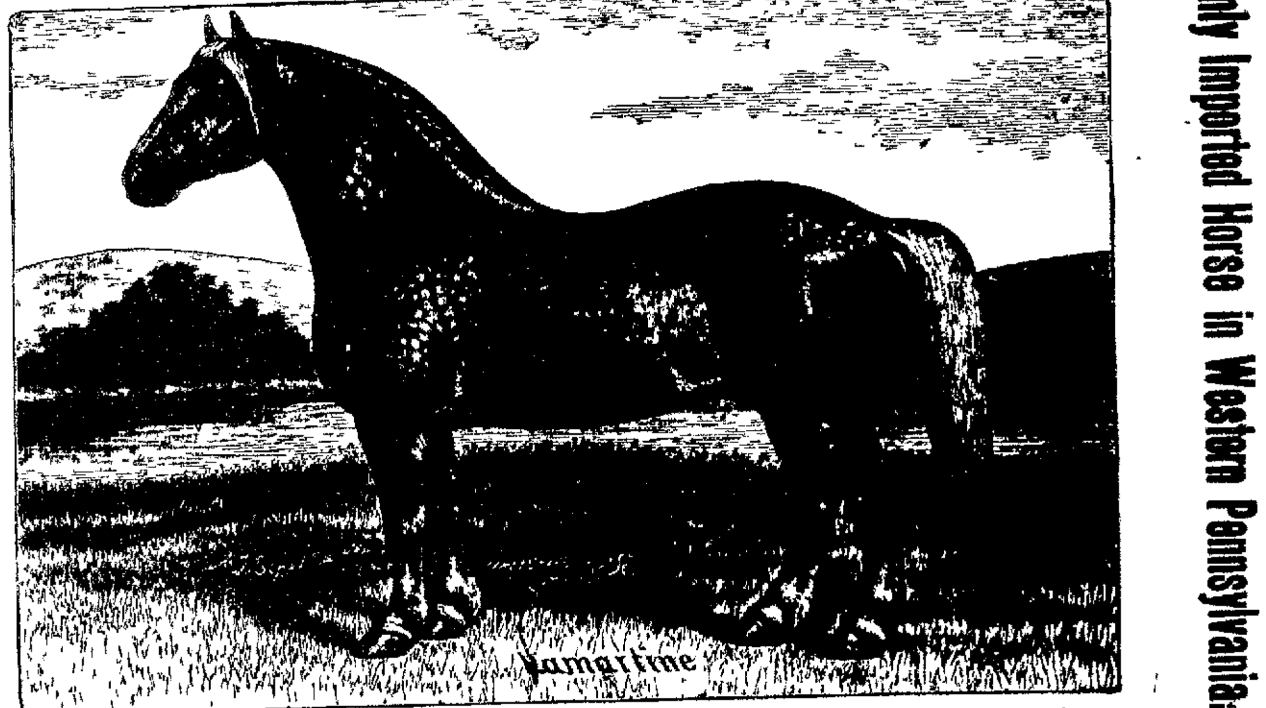

VALENREUX, (12,193.) Hoof No. 10, P.

The above is a cut of the celebrated Percheron Stallion ‘VALENREUX’ Percheron Stud Book No. —, foaled in France in 1887, and Imported by the Powell Brothers of the “Shade Land” stock farm, Springboro, Crawford County, Pa., in September, 1889, from whom I purchased him. Valenreux is a Thoroughbred Percheron, a beautiful grey and although but three years, he weighs 1,600 pounds.

The large horse is now in almost universal demand, consequently the most profitable horse for the farmer to raise. For the 'Bus, the Dray or the Carriage, the Percheron finds ready sale, at good prices, and recognizing this fact I determined to give the farmers of McKean county an opportunity to improve their stock. My horse VALENREUX comes from one of the largest stock farms in the United States, and I am prepared to prove that he is all I claim for him. Call and see the horse and you will be convinced.

For the Season of 1890 he will stand at the old Hamlin farm, head of Main street, Smethport, Pa. Call and see one of the finest colts in Western Pennsylvania, and no mistake. I have the documents to prove it. He is the only Registered Horse in McKean county, and the only imported one in Western Pennsylvania. DON'T USE A ‘GRADE’ WHEN YOU CAN GET A THOROUGHBRED. SERVICE, $15, OR $25 PER SPAN, TO INSURE.

“EARL MONARCH,”

by Almonarch, (3234), record 2 24½, by Almont, (33), sire of Westmont, 2:01¾. This is one of the best bred grandsons of Almont, (33), sire and grandsire of 110 in the 2:30 list, will also stand for the season at the above named place.

WM. H. PICARD, Proprietor.